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## Defence — Plan Okayed By Colony's Businessmen

Hongkong, May 10.—Leading Hongkong bankers and commercial interests said today that they were quite satisfied with the British Government's plans for safeguarding Hongkong.

The confidence essential to the maintenance of the Colony's position as an Empire revenue earner had been assured with the British Government's announcement that it intended to reinforce and defend Hongkong as a trading post.

"Out here we are doing our utmost to keep things going and it has been rather a blow to read some circles in London expressing views which to a great extent are not justified," one group of some of the Colony's most influential businessmen told Reuters in a special interview.

The group, who represent substantial British Far Eastern interests, did not wish to be quoted by name.

### LONDON "UNHAPPY"

The businessmen were referring to the London report carried by Reuters quoting banking circles there as being "not too happy" about the British Government's plans for safeguarding the Colony in case of an attack.

The businessmen said that they were realistic enough to know that greater emphasis might now have to be given to defence problems instead of the previously when emphasis in the Colony's policy was laid upon keeping trade moving.

They said they had no illusions about the dangers that might confront Hongkong and were certainly aware of the difficulties connected with trading now on the China coast but they had by no means thrown up the sponge. The maintenance of large staffs in British firms throughout China at normal levels despite civil war dangers was surely proof that they did not intend to give up hope.

### NEGLECTIBLE TRADE

Actually, it was much too early to say what prospects of trading with Communist China might be. The dust of the civil war had to settle first and that might take one or two years. (Continued on Page 5)

## H.K. Stand The Best

OUR OWN  
CORRESPONDENT

London, May 9.—No decision has yet come out of today's talks between the Hongkong delegates to the BIF and the Ministry of Food, but I understand that Mr. U. Tai-choo has asked to be allowed to ship a further 1,000 tons of sugar to the United Kingdom next season, and is very optimistic about the Ministry's reply.

Mr. Grimwood, Hongkong Government representative in London, told me a buyer from Mexico said that the Hongkong stand was the "most worthwhile in the whole of the BIF." This praise is especially welcome from a buyer from a hard currency area. He showed great interest in most of the exhibits.

## 600 Rebels Launch An Attack

Rangoon, May 9.—Government reinforcements have been rushed to Zathabyin, South-East Burma, where 600 rebels are attacking an outpost "from all sides," and heavy fighting is in progress, a Government communiqué said tonight.

Aircraft are bombing the rebels, it added. Zathabyin is 20 miles northeast of Moulmein. In Central Burma, Government troops are "preparing to enter" the important railway town of Yamethin, which is controlled by White Band (anti-Government) Volunteer forces. South of Mandalay, fighting insurgents have been trapped. A Buddhist monastery, the communiqué said, this followed a Government success in repelling a combined White Band and Communist attack on Sagana, a river town near Mandalay, the communiqué added.—Reuters.

London, May 9.—Britain's cheese ration will go up from 1 1/2 ounces a week starting May 22, the Food Ministry announced on Monday.—Associated Press.

## Reds Attempting To Cut Off 300,000 Troops

### DRIVE FOR NANCHANG

## S'hai Residents Urged To Store Up Foodstuffs

Shanghai, May 9.—Chinese Communists today drove west along the Chikiang-Kiangsi railway in what appeared to be a major attempt to cut off General Pai Chung-hsi's 300,000 Central China troops.

The Communist broadcast reported the capture of the rail town of Tunghsiang, less than 50 miles from Nanchang, key rail centre and the capital of Kiangsi Province. The capture of Nanchang by the Reds would imperil General Pai's escape route along the Hankow-Canton railway.

Government sources earlier had reported a Nationalist victory in the area and said that a Nationalist column had "dented" the Red advance and was driving northward toward Poyang Lake. Nanchang is about 400 miles southwest of Shanghai and about 100 miles below the Yangtze River. From Nanchang the Communists would be in a position to sweep west toward Shangsha, where General Pai is expected to make a stand.

Fighting in the immediate Shanghai area was reported to have lessened today. Persistent reports said that Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek is personally directing the defence of Shanghai.—United Press.

### Petrol Allowance For Visitors

London, May 9.—A small petrol allowance for visitors from overseas who borrow a motorcar in Britain or buy one second-hand is to be made from June 1, the Fuel Minister, Mr. High Galskell announced today.

It will be sufficient for 250 miles motoring in addition to the standing ration for 80 miles a month.

Only one special allowance will be made for each car every six months.—Ruler

### HANKOW ABANDONED

Canton, May 10.—Unconfirmed military reports in Canton on Monday said the Nationalist forces have abandoned Hankow and launched a counter-offensive on the railway east of Nanchang.

Central China forces under General Shiao Wei were reported moving eastward from Hankow to support the push east of Nanchang along the Western sector of the rail line to Hangchow.

Military advisers here said the Communists were moving into the battle zone from Kwangsi, more than 100 miles east of Nanchang.

Hankow was reported abandoned to escape the Red encircling push toward Nanchang on the government's escape route. There was no confirmation of the reported withdrawal, but a government military spokesman stressed that Hankow was a river port with little strategic value.

(Hankow is a Yangtze industrial centre 60 air miles, or 450 rail miles, northwest of Nanchang. Strong Communist forces have been idling just north of Hankow for weeks. It had been previously reported that General Pai Chung-hsi's 300,000 men Hankow defence force planned to retreat South. Shiao Wei is one of Gen. Pai's commanders.)

Meanwhile, Acting President Li Tsung-jen gave his first indication on Monday that he intends to hold right wing Nationalists to promised aid from resources on Taiwan. Gen. Li was reliably reported to have discussed with Finance Minister S. Y. Liu the question of bringing gold currency reserves from the island stronghold. Otherwise, General Li's first day back in the presidential chair after the fall of Nanking was quiet.

Premier Ho Ying-chin, will report on May 10 to the Legislative Yuan on peace negotiations which ended with Communist crossing of the Yangtze river.

Rumours were current that he would soon resign as Premier to devote all his time to his duties as Minister of National Defence. At present he holds both posts. However, an official government spokesman denied these reports.—Associated Press.

### STORE FOOD, APPEAL

Shanghai, May 9.—The necessity for local residents to store up enough foodstuffs to last from six months to two years in preparation for any possible emergency was reiterated yesterday by Mr. Ying Chih-chen, Chief Secretary of the Police Bureau.

Mr. Ying said that the military authorities had full con-

fidence in their ability to safeguard Shanghai and its 6,000,000 people. Residents should, therefore, he declared, lay up sufficient foodstuffs and necessities to tide over the transitional period prior to "final victory."

General Mao Sen, Police Commissioner, has meanwhile announced a set of wartime regulations in the police force. Among 10 offences listed in the regulations seven are punishable by death. Allegiance to the Communists and treachery to the police force is punishable by the execution of all family members of the culprit. The rules made clear.

### POLICE PURGE

A special supervisory group, headed by the Deputy Police Commissioner, has been organized to enforce wartime regulations.

Chinese press reports said that two sub-station police chiefs and a patrol officer have been placed in detention by Commissioner Mao Sen in a purge of suspected corrupt personnel.

Commissioner Mao Sen announced that any policeman attempt to entice any policeman to change allegiance must be reported to the Police Bureau.

On the other hand, police personnel who fail to report such attempts will be punishable by death and liable to have all their property confiscated.

The British Consul-General, Mr. R. W. Urquhart, said last night that the Wuong Shanghai Garrison Commander had been approached on the subject of requisitioning of foreign motor vehicles and that the Garrison Commander had been found to be most helpful, according to the British-owned North China Daily News.

As a result of the consultations which had taken place, Mr. Urquhart said, it was understood that British-owned motor vehicles would not now be requisitioned.

The American Consul-General could not be contacted as to the position with regard to American-owned vehicles.

Among several hundred trucks and jeeps requisitioned yesterday by the Chinese military forces were many belonging to British, American and other foreign firms.—Reuters.

### PEAK TRAM SERVICES STOP

The Peak Tram service was suspended at 7.20 a.m. today owing to a breakdown. It is hoped to resume the service tomorrow.

## Reinforcements For H.K. Embark Tomorrow

London, May 9.—British reinforcements for Hongkong, the 1st Battalion, The Royal Leicestershire Regiment, and Headquarters 27th Infantry Brigade, are embarking in the troopship Empire Dalladale at Liverpool on Wednesday, the British War Office announced tonight.

In the ship will be advance parties of the First Battalion Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders, the 1st Battalion, the Middlesex Regiment and the 23rd Field Regiment, Royal Artillery and elements of the 3rd Royal Tank Regiment, 50th Field Squadron Royal Engineers, 17th Field Ambulance, and the 27th Company, Royal Army Service Corps.

Shipment of these reinforcements was announced in the House of Commons on May 5.—Reuters.

## No More Blockade One Minute After Midnight On Wed.

Berlin, May 9.—Soviet Russia and the Western powers will lift the blockade and the counter-blockade of Berlin at one minute past midnight local time on Thursday morning, it was learned tonight.

An official order, signed by the Soviet Military Governor, Marshal Vassily Chikov, confirmed that the blockade would be ended at one minute past midnight on Thursday morning, fitting in with the Western Allied preparations.

The first train into Berlin will be a British military one, due to cross the zonal frontier at Helmsstedt at four minutes past one local time on Thursday morning, a British spokesman said. Three more trains will follow within six hours.

The first British passenger train to the city for 13 months will steam into Charlottenburg station about 6 a.m., carrying Control Commission officials, journalists and a small quantity of freight.

Marshal Chikov's order said the regulations permitting members of the American, British and French occupation forces and their civilian officials to cross the zonal frontiers at Marienborn and Nowawes (near Berlin) without special passports would be re-established.

Their personal belonging and military freight would also pass without control.

### BUS SERVICE

The first "B-Day" Interzonal bus run by the Western City Administration for German passengers will start from the British sector at 7.00 a.m. Four interzone buses, linking Berlin with Hamburg, Hanover, Frankfurt and Munich are scheduled by the Western City authorities. Before the blockade they ran only to Hanover and Munich.

It is hoped that evening tramway services will be restored and electricity cuts cancelled, but a spokesman said firm planning is impossible until detailed Russian arrangements are known and Allied instructions received.

Herr Hans Jendretzky, Chairman of the Communist-led Socialist Unity Party of Berlin, today suggested that representatives of the "two Berlin administrations" should meet for preliminary talks, according to the German news agency, DENA.

One of the passenger trains will be of a British military one. There will also be two American military trains, a third American military train running twice weekly, a French train operating twice weekly, and a daily German civilian train.

### OLD TIME TABLES

The official said that he hoped 12,000 tons of freight would be brought in each day, but owing to ignorance of the state of the track it was not yet certain whether this could be achieved.

All American military passenger trains which operated on the Berlin run before the blockade will resume on their old time-tables from a minute past midnight (local time) on May 12, the United States Army Headquarters in Heidelberg announced today.

It added that there would be five daily trains, including two to Berlin from Frankfurt and Bremerhaven and three from Berlin to Frankfurt, Bremerhaven and Munich. No Army trucks or automobiles will be allowed along the Autobahn to Berlin until military police and Royal Engineers have patrolled its whole length, inspecting

## Albanian Border Shooting

### YUGOSLAV TROOPS ATTACKED

Belgrade, May 9.—Albanian sub-machine gunners were stated by the Yugoslav news agency tonight to have fired for two and a half hours at a motor-boat on Lake Scutari, shooting at Yugoslav soldiers who were starting a ceremonial relay run to Belgrade for Premier Josip Tito's birthday.

One soldier swam ashore under "a hail of bullets."

The agency, Tanjug said that early on Friday a small motor-boat was carrying a non-commissioned officer and three men taking part in a relay from all parts of the country to the capital. It was travelling along the frontier line being unable to follow another route "because of the reefs in this part of the lake."

Albanian frontier guards, using sub-machine-guns fired on the boat, damaging and immobilising it, the agency said.

They seriously injured one of the soldiers while another had slight injuries. They continued firing at the stationary boat for two and a half hours.

### MAIL OF BULLETS

About 10.30 a.m. one of the soldiers jumped into the water and swam to the Yugoslav shore under a hail of bullets. About half an hour later the Albanians took the Yugoslav motor-boat in tow and brought it to the Albanian shore.

"The Yugoslav authorities were unable to establish contact with the Albanian authorities until 6 p.m. when it was agreed to form a mixed Commission. The Albanians, however, said that the mixed Commission would meet the next day."

"The Albanians made their appearance only at noon and told the Yugoslavs that they could not proceed to a joint enquiry with the Yugoslavs."

"The Albanians accompanied this declaration with insults and pointed their guns at the Yugoslav members of the Commission."

The Yugoslav Legation lodged an energetic protest and demanded the return of the motor-boat and of its inmates," the report added.

### THIRD INCIDENT

A Yugoslav patrol shot and killed a Hungarian frontier guard—the third within a fortnight—when he illegally crossed the Yugoslav frontier. It was officially announced here today.

The announcement claimed that the dead guard, named Paul Horvath, and another guard were escorting six Hungarian civilians of Yugoslav origin into Yugoslavia on orders from Budapest.

Two of the civilians were captured, the announcement added.

The Hungarian Party had penetrated 60 yards into Yugoslavia, a few miles east of Subotica when they were challenged by the Yugoslav patrol.—Reuters.

### EDITORIAL

## Hongkong And The Reds

THE seemingly growing tendency to regard the military strangulation of China by the Communists as a direct menace to the sovereign independence of Hongkong is a sign of hysterical emotion, unsupported by any thoughtful appraisal of the international implications of any such move by the Chinese Reds. Nor does the foregoing indicate a mood of complacency. The Communists, wherever they be, favour the technique of indirect assault and embarrassment, and for this reason Government and the public are exhorted to exercise all means at their disposal to protect and guarantee the internal safety of the Colony. Anything short of these defensive measures would be criminal; in fact, safeguards against assassination, sabotage and dislocating strikes are of paramount importance. For it matters not who may choose to become the enemy of Hongkong, they must be dealt with immediately and expeditiously. But when it comes to a frontal attack against the Colony by armies a new appreciation of the possibilities and probabilities is demanded. For the Communists to try and disrupt by stealth and subterfuge the administrative machinery which keeps the Colony ticking over is one thing; for them to attempt to overrun Hongkong by military power is another. The first alternative calls for consideration, because it is feasible, and, at the same time, true to form: the second alternative involves repercussions for which the Chinese Reds probably have as lively an appreciation as anyone else. An outright war against Hongkong could not be kept as a localised incident. So far as England is concerned it would be a "Pearl Harbour," and must, of necessity, become the signal for World War III. And it

is doubtful in the extreme whether the Chinese Communists desire, still less intend, to become responsible for any such catastrophe. And we express this opinion, notwithstanding the attack against our Royal Navy ships in the Yangtze. Britons remain mortified and saddened by those incidents: they cannot be easily forgotten. But level-headedness has told the British Government that it can achieve nothing but precipitate a world holocaust if it should seek redress by force of arms, and by the same token, should the Chinese Communists, if and when they reach the southern borders of Kwangtung, seek to match their military strength against Hongkong, it can have but a similar result. The future Government of China, whatever be its composition, has to face the same realities as the Authorities of Hongkong and the Imperial Government. This Colony and China are neighbours and must remain so. They have much to offer each other, beneficial and in furtherance of mutual interests. Hongkong has no hostility toward the Chinese Communists, except that which the Reds create for themselves. Nor are our preparations to counter subversive and inimical acts within the boundaries of this Colony aggressive in design or meaning. This was heavily underscored by the Governor in his recent speech to the Engineering Society of Hongkong, and there could be no more authoritative pronouncement on the subject. There is no tangible reason why China, governed by her own Communists, should not remain peaceful and friendly neighbours with Hongkong. But we are on our guard, and whether intimidation comes from within or without, those who would violate our integrity can expect swift reprisals.

## Stanley Says He Could Make Bevin Resign

Tel-Aviv, May 9.—Sidney Stanley, fugitive central figure in the British Government's recent bribery investigation, said today that when he told what he knew about the British Foreign Secretary, Mr. Bevin would resign.

However, "Ernie" might even resign before then, Stanley told the United Press by telephone after arriving here from France. He continued:

"Ernest will tell the world that it is his health, but I will shortly give the people the story behind this resignation. It is no coincidence that Ernest wants a rest."

During the recent Lynskey bribe inquiry in London, Stanley was described as a "contact man" between high Government officials and restriction-harassed businessmen. A Governor of the Bank of England and a

Labour Member of Parliament resigned following the inquiry. Stanley was not charged, but was placed on parole pending action on an alleged violation of the bankruptcy act. He disappeared two days before the hearing and showed up in Halifax early today aboard the Jewish refugee ship Anshout out of Marseille, France. He slipped quietly into Tel-Aviv.

Stanley said he would "spill the dope" on Ernest Bevin at a press conference tomorrow night.

Stanley was a bit irritated at the reception he got at Halifax. Someone stole his three trunks.—United Press.



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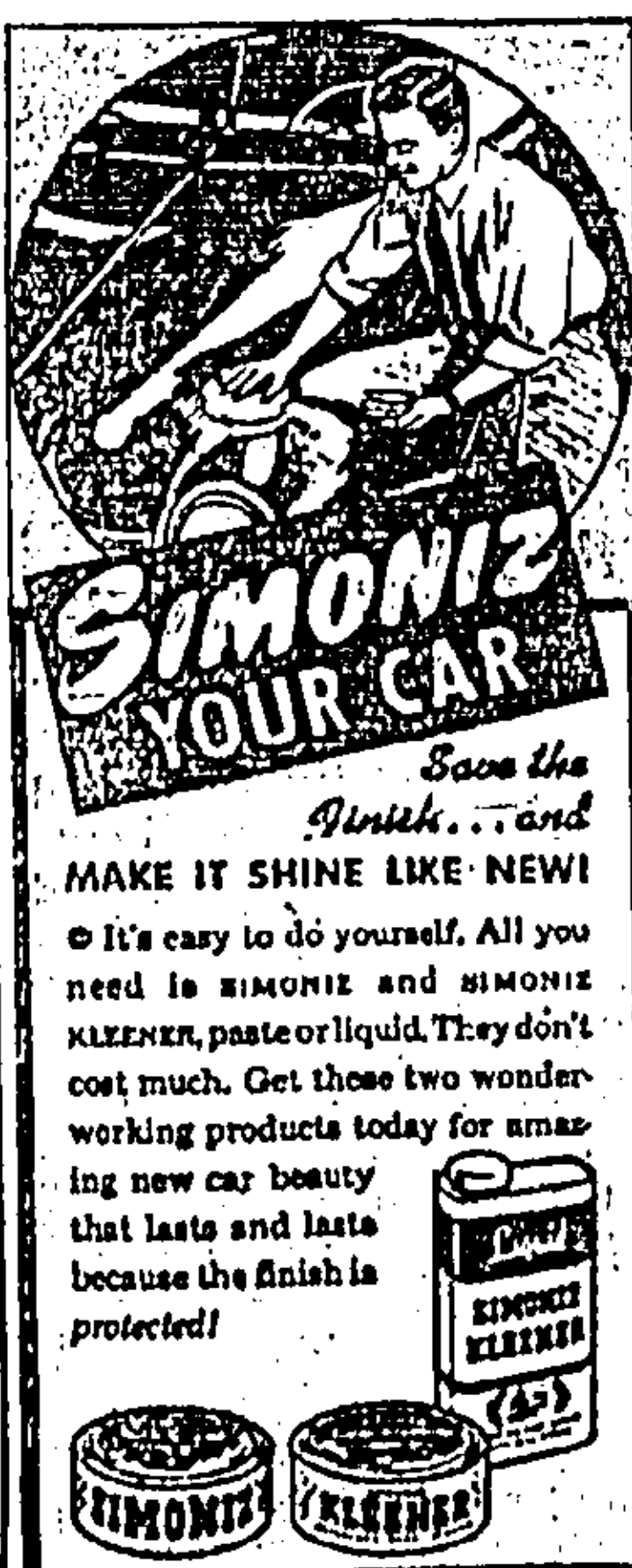
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## Princess, 23, goes dancing



End of a birthday party for Princess Elizabeth, who leads the way from the Cafe de Paris after celebrating her twenty-third birthday evening. Princess Margaret follows her sister. With Prince Philip, they had been to see The School for Scandal. Afterwards they were joined for supper by Sir Laurence and Lady Olivier.

## A POCKETED BEACHCOAT



MANY POCKETS — Mona Freeman introduces something new in Hollywood. The pockets of her Kelly green beachcoat have been stitched in the form of mittens and extra pockets have been added to the sleeves.

## The Destructive Instinct In A Child Is Strong

By GARRY CLEVEL AND MYERS, Ph.D.

A BASIC factor in educating the child in good character and citizenship is his training from his early years to be careful of property. He needs first to be careful of his own things.

Let us parents respect and protect his possessions, not letting others of the family have his things or use them without his permission. Let us see especially that the baby or young child does not appropriate, mar or destroy the things which belong to the older brother or sister and vice versa. Foolishly many parents will constantly compel the older child to give up his own things to a younger child. Of course we want our children to share but we succeed best in this direction as we acknowledge the child's ownership and respect and protect this ownership. Then when he feels safe in sharing and does share let us heartily approve.

### Positive Suggestion

We help the tot to be careful of his own things (if he does not have too many of them) by quiet positive suggestion and patient guidance. Giving him sturdy toys we show him how to use them so as not to injure these toys or other things with them. For example, when he gets a metal toy, we spend time with him showing him just how to use it properly so he won't mar polished furniture with it. If he has a ball we train him to throw it only where he can do

so with safety to himself and property. The tot soon discovers fun at climbing into chairs or upon other furniture, jumping up and down on stuffed furniture or the bed. This we will forbid from its beginning, using physical pain if necessary. Nor shall we allow this tot to run boisterously after another child in the house, in a store or other public place. Let us get him to places where he may run freely.

### Creative Play

When you go with your child to the house of another person tell him not to run rapidly about their house, handle things or go places not clearly welcomed by the hosts.

Such desirable restraints are most easily cultivated in the child to whom you have read daily from the age of fifteen months or earlier, whom you have encouraged in improvised dramatization, in weaving yarns of fancy, in creating with blocks, crayons, paper, paste, cardboard, wood and the like and in playing non-running games indoors.

Creative play is the opposite of destruction. It is a corner stone of good citizenship. The more a child creates, the less he destroys. Show appreciation of your child's creations however crude they be. He not only needs good things to play with creatively but he also needs parents who appreciate what he makes for fun.

## Varied Looks In Nylon

Nylon Chambray—A mixture of spun nylon and cotton—for pyjamas that have many of the advantages of nylon plus greater absorbency for year-round comfort.

Nylon with silk, in development now, is a pucker-free, has already attracted some attention for gowns and negligees. Because of the fine size of both these fibres, it is expected that the combination will be a practical possibility only for sheers unless costs of both can be lowered. It is a teaming that gives a very fine hand and the lightweight that good sheers demand.

Nylon with wool, in the manufacture of lighter weight worsted sheers than have ever before been possible. By a process recently developed in England, fine-denier nylon is used as the core of yarn around which worsted is wrapped. This produces a fabric which is almost all worsted, but to which nylon contributes strength and lightness.

Nylon with acetate rayon, for a popular priced fabric with the important quick-drying property. Though it is not widely realised or promoted, acetate rayon—like nylon—absorbs little moisture, and dries very rapidly.

Silk with rayon, the best bet for introducing silk in the volume bracket. The silk improves the hand noticeably, and is a great aid to washability as well.

## WHEN BABY DOESN'T CARE TO EAT—

By HERMAN N. BUNDESEN, M.D.

ONE of the most frequent complaints for which children are brought to the doctor is lack of appetite. Associated with this lack of appetite is refusal to chew, refusal to take solid food, drowsiness and vomiting. Often the feeding difficulty is associated with other problems, such as sleep disturbances, trouble with bowel and bladder training, and thumb-sucking.

Fortunately, there are a number of things which can be done to keep poor appetite from developing.

### Ready to Learn

To begin with, adults should not attempt to rush children in their development. When the child is ready to learn, he should be helped, but such things as trying to teach the child to hold his own bottle before he is ready or to drink from a cup before the proper time are often factors in producing appetite troubles.

It is known that during the end of the first year a baby's appetite often decreases. When this happens, the amount of food offered should be lessened. It is much better to have a child ask for more food than for him to refuse to eat all that is served to him.

Food should be served attractively. There should be a variety of foods and, of course, they should be properly cooked. Eating should and can be made a pleasure and not a duty. It should be remembered that no one food is absolutely necessary for a baby's well-being. For practically every good food there is some substitute.

Most children like meat and fruit, milk, bread and butter. They often tend to refuse cereals, cooked vegetables, and soup. Often, a child will eat raw vegetables and refuse cooked ones, but this should cause no concern. The child should be allowed some choice of foods.

Child's Independence Satisfactory home conditions are also important. There should be affection, encouragement, and appreciation of the child's independence. The child should not be scolded at mealtimes, nor should he be shouted at while eating. In proper surroundings the problem of poor appetite does not occur nearly so often.

Too rigid feeding schedules, poor training, and emotional upsets are among the important factors in producing poor appetite, and they should be strictly avoided. Every once in a while parents should check themselves just to see how often they lose their tempers during mealtimes.

time to help her gain a sense of value and regard the rights and possessions of others.

Lots of parents face this problem with a boy or girl, and usually their efforts to solve it neither foster creativeness nor good citizenship in the child. More seriously, it may spread from a neighbour's lumber pile to make a dog house. He gains thereby in mechanical skill but loses morally.

### Cutting Pictures

So complains a parent: Our problem is our six-year-old son's recent passion for cutting pictures of birds, animals, or flowers from any book, magazine, etc., he happens to see. Until recently he was usually careful of books and magazines, all of which makes this recent development more puzzling.

"Several days ago he cut a flower picture from a very fine book which he had borrowed, pasted it on cardboard, and then lovingly showed it to us. So that we would not notice the damage to the book, he tore out the rest of the page and threw it away. He has cut pictures from several of his lovely animal books. He knows he is doing wrong. When confronted with the evidence he pretends he can't remember where he got any particular picture."

### Interest In Him

You and Dad should help this lad search through old magazines for beautiful pictures he would like to cut out and mount, and get him inexpensive reprints of beautiful pictures. Spend a lot of time enjoying pictures and their collection with him. As he feels your deep interest in his hobby you can get over to him the right way to treat books and the like.

While destruction of books and such must be curbed, your emphasis on punishment was hardly good. Even your explanations were shrouded in anger and incrimination. It might be well, however, to check on this lad in connection with other situations not related to his collective or creative interests, when rather stern measures might be warranted at times if he clearly disregards the rights and possessions of others.

## Black Lace With Pink



By PRUNELLA WOOD

ANY LADY who knows what makes heads turn and people like what they turn to see, knows the time-tested success story of black lace with touches of pink.

Here is a handsome dinner dress from this recipe, very 1949 as to silhouette and general appearance, but with the old-time sheer black magic.

The frock is black unmarquetté, the lace which curves about the bodice also black, and pinwheel shirred to fit into the curved lines. Lace backed by palest blush pink crepe on a line which drapes low both at bodice top and lower edging. The back and shoulders are veiled with the simple marquetté, most sheer.

Wash and crisp 1 bunch of watercress, 6 scallions, and a few tender mustard leaves if available. Break the cress in small sprigs and cut the stems across into inch lengths. Finely shred the mustard leaves; thin-slice the scallions including 2 in. of the green top; add the cress and mix in a salad bowl. Toss with tomato French dressing. Serve with thin

## Systematic Beauty Care



An important part of Screen Star Milla McClellan's skin care programme is the night creaming of her complexion.

By HELEN FOLLETT

PAY tribute to your skin. Don't expect it to get along without help. You can't start too early to conserve its youthful appearance. Every teen-ager should have a jar of cream to be used when the epidermal coating seems rough and chapped. Between twenty and thirty the complexion may lose colouring, change somewhat in texture, hence the need of daily lubrication with light tanning massage. After thirty there is that ever-present danger of premature wrinkles; that means the use of two creams, a light one for cleansing and removing make-up, a heavier one for friction at bed time.

The urge for beauty is as old as the hills. Every woman isn't lucky enough to acquire it to a marked degree, but every woman can make an endeavour

to cultivate it and, in that endeavour, she should find pleasure and satisfaction. It is wise to have a good looks plan or schedule to stick to, or shine, willy-nilly. It won't do to slip into bed "just this once" without a facial overhauling.

The daily bath is an important factor. It has wonderful cosmetic value on the skin because it urges the blood streams to get on the job, keeps certain glands in order, helps the skin all over the body to be rid of wastes.

Fresh air and outdoor exercise put straight in the eyes, do much to keep the figure young and sassy looking because of the oxygen pumped into the lungs. Many skin defects may be due to a diet deficiency or too much of a certain food element taken each day. The balanced diet is the good looks ticket.

## Let's Eat

BY IDA BAILEY ALLEN



## Menu for a British Dinner

"CHEF, let's eat British slices of dark bread spread with cottage cheese."

"You mean a dinner with the roast beef, or the steak and kidney pie?"

"No, nothing like that," I said. "I mean a dinner like those the British have today." This is going to be a plain meal, but it can be very tasty. Our main dish is going to be sausage and leek turn-over pie."

### Bubbled Turnip

"It is a combination of new turnips, onions, cabbage and a few potatoes, first fried a bit, then boiled, or 'bubbled' together. Right now they're so short of potatoes in England, that they combine them with other vegetables to make them go farther. I'll give you the recipe."

"Will there be a dessert to this dinner?"

"Oh yes, old-fashioned English rhubarb and banana fool."

"Ha-ha-ha," the Chef burst out laughing. "Is this a joke?"

"No, it's a name for a traditional English dessert."

"Madame, the dinner seems to me some kind of a surprise."

"Don't worry Chef. If you'll allow me, I'll take over and show you how it's done. Although this is the type dinner produced under a strictly rationed British food regime, it's a remarkable example how everyday foods can be made into a really excellent meal. And after all, that's something that most of us need to know in this country in order to make the most of our food budget."

### Dinner

Tomato Soup  
Sausage and Leek Turnover  
"Bubbled Turnip"  
Cress and New Onion Salad  
Bowl  
Cottage Cheese  
Dark Bread  
Rhubarb Banana Fool  
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Coffee or Tea  
Milk (Children)

All Measurements Are Level  
Recipes Serve Four

Cress and New Onion Salad

Wash and crisp 1 bunch of watercress, 6 scallions, and a few tender mustard leaves if available. Break the cress in small sprigs and cut the stems across into inch lengths. Finely shred the mustard leaves; thin-slice the scallions including 2 in. of the green top; add the cress and mix in a salad bowl. Toss with tomato French dressing. Serve with thin

### Rhubarb Banana Fool

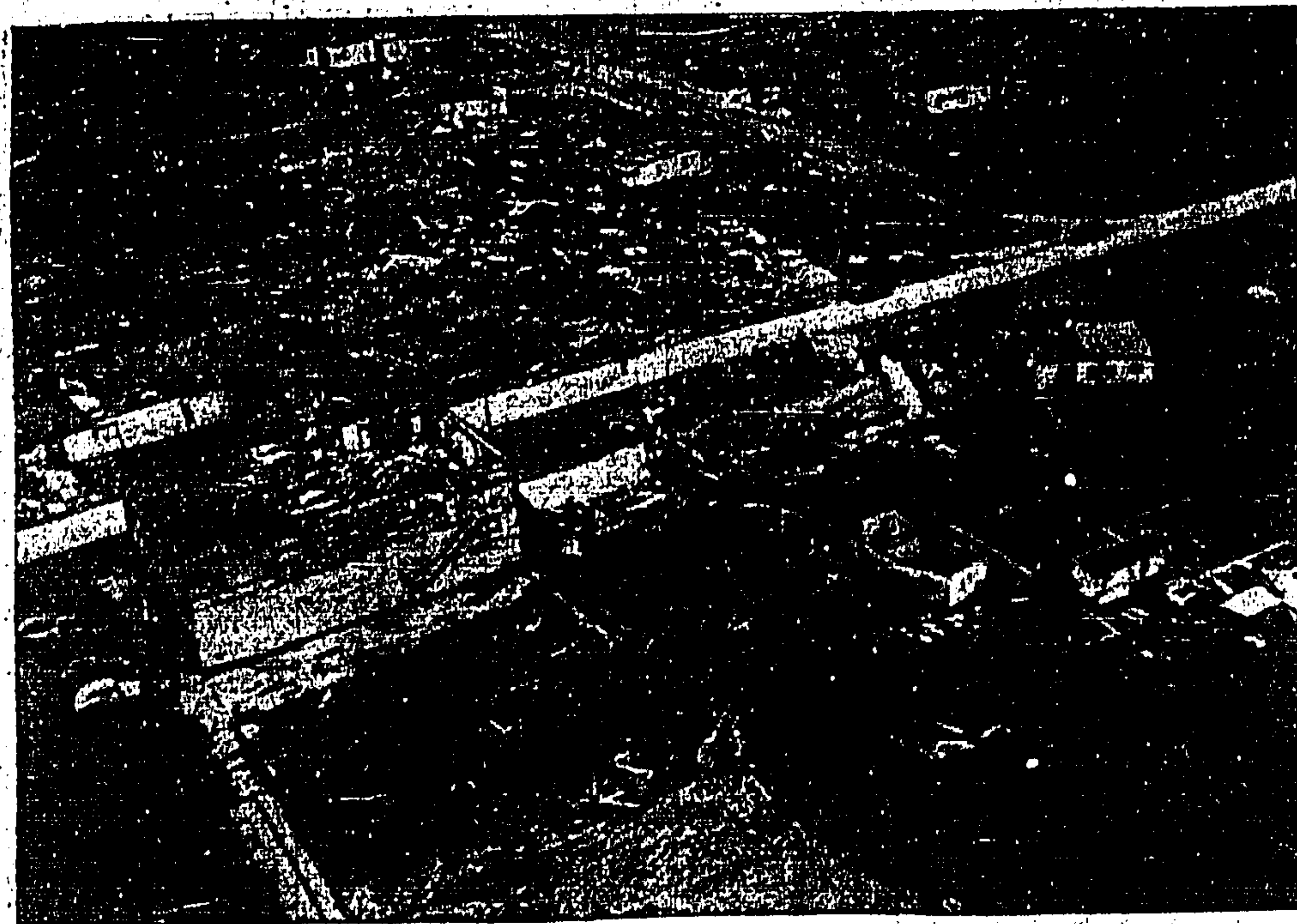
Make up 1/2 package prepared vanilla-flavored pudding powder, according to directions on the package. While cooling, rub enough stewed, sweetened rhubarb through a sieve to make 1 c. Then rub 3 peeled, ripe bananas through a sieve. Combine with the rhubarb and pudding. Chill and serve in sherbet glasses. Decorate with thin-sliced banana, and if convenient, a little sweetened whipped cream, or sweetened evaporated milk containing a few drops of lemon juice.

### Trick of the Chef

To make plain cooked vegetables taste and look de luxe, sprinkle just before serving with small crisp bread crumbs mixed together with a few poppy seeds in a little butter or margarine.



# WORLD NEWS IN PICTURES



**AFTER THE STORM**—A tornado which hit the village of Crowder, Oklahoma, killed one person and injured 20 more. Least damaged of all structures in the community was the Masonic hall, left centre. Almost every building was flattened, except those made of stone, and the inhabitants were left homeless.



**CHOSEN** — Marcellyn Gulbransen, in San Francisco, represents "Miss Sportsman" for the third annual Northern California Sportsmen's and Vacation Show.



**GETS GIFT HOME**—Little LeRoy Mason, two, looks on as sister, Roberta Lee, 14, cuts the welcome cake in her new home at Des Plaines, Illinois, a suburb of Chicago. The house was presented to Roberta, heroine of a fire which destroyed her former home. Although she was severely burned, the girl rescued her brothers and sisters at great personal risk. About \$27,000 was donated toward the new home by admirers of her bravery.



**ONE IN MANY**—Eight years ago, Jimmy Montgomery, 14, of Hot Springs, Arkansas, had every major bone in his body broken in a car accident. But in New York, where he was honoured as "Boy of the year," Jimmy demonstrates that he's perfectly fit now.



**RECORD HOLDER**—Tie Score, holder of two world's records, stands beside its first foal in Mexico City while owner Don Carlos Gomez looks on proudly. The mare, wearing Bing Crosby's colours, made its debut in 1943 and won its first race.



**OUNCE OF PREVENTION**—When a Cuban got back home to Havana from Mexico with smallpox, the Minister of Health took action. Now Havana residents and arrivals from Mexico must be vaccinated. President Carlos Prío Socarras is no exception.



**TO THE RESCUE**—When fire broke out in a store in Chicago, nurse Lucy Koch had to be rescued from a second floor apartment. Mrs Koch had been attending a patient who was also rescued, but in a less spectacular, and perhaps safer, manner.



**WEDDING OF POLICE**—The principals in Japan's first wedding within the ranks of the police force toast the marriage in Tokyo. Police Chief Tatsuo Ishida, right, was best man for the police officers Yukio Kaitani, left, and Hisayo Yokota. Women police are now in Japan.



**TAKING THE NET**—While practising at Wembley, in North London, for their indoor professional lawn tennis tournament, Jack Kramer, left, Bobby Riggs and Dinny Pails take the net in fine style.

**JOAN BLONDELL,**

glamorous star says, "Pink lipstick's the Hollywood craze and 'Pink Queen' is the perfect pink."



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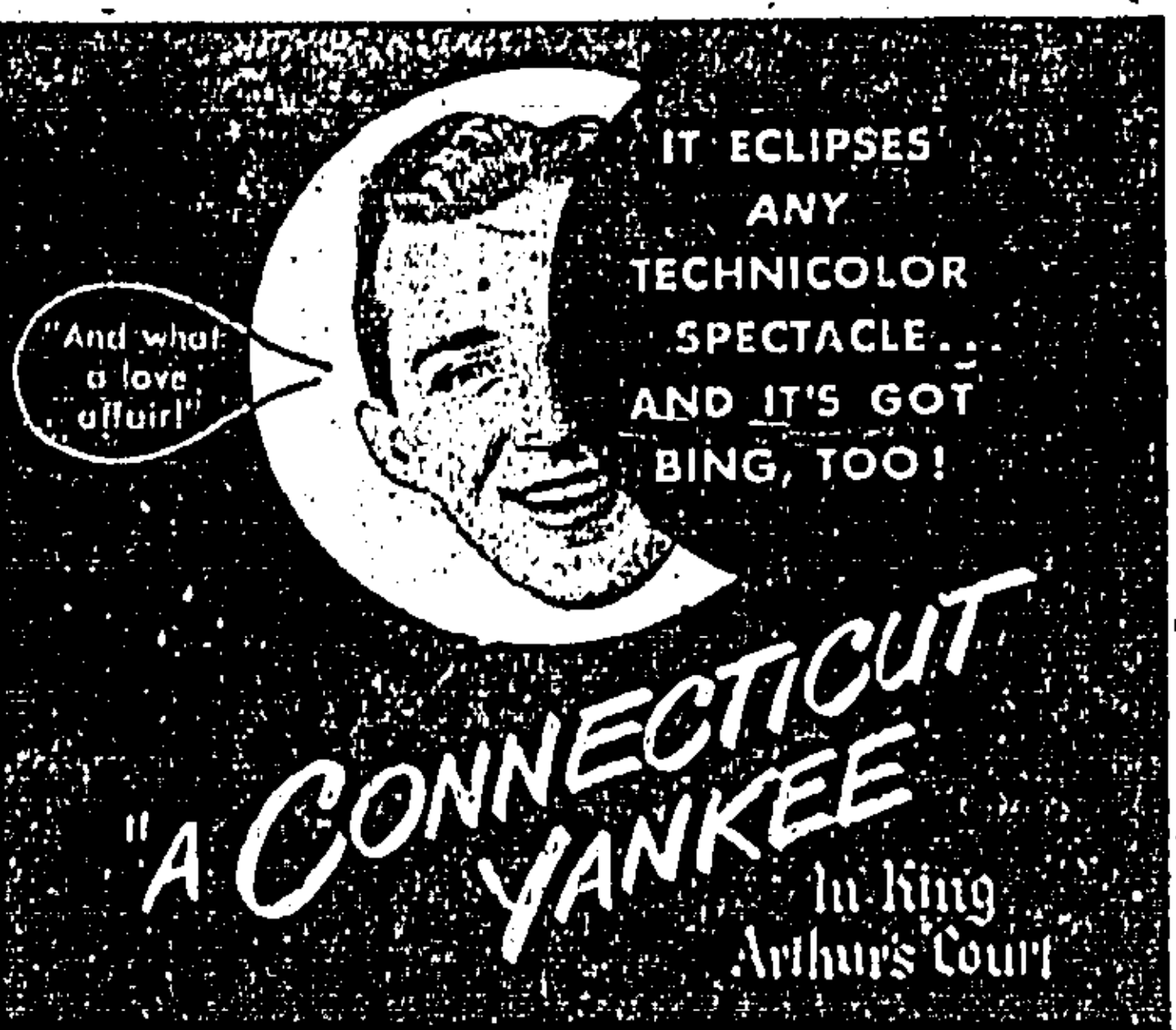


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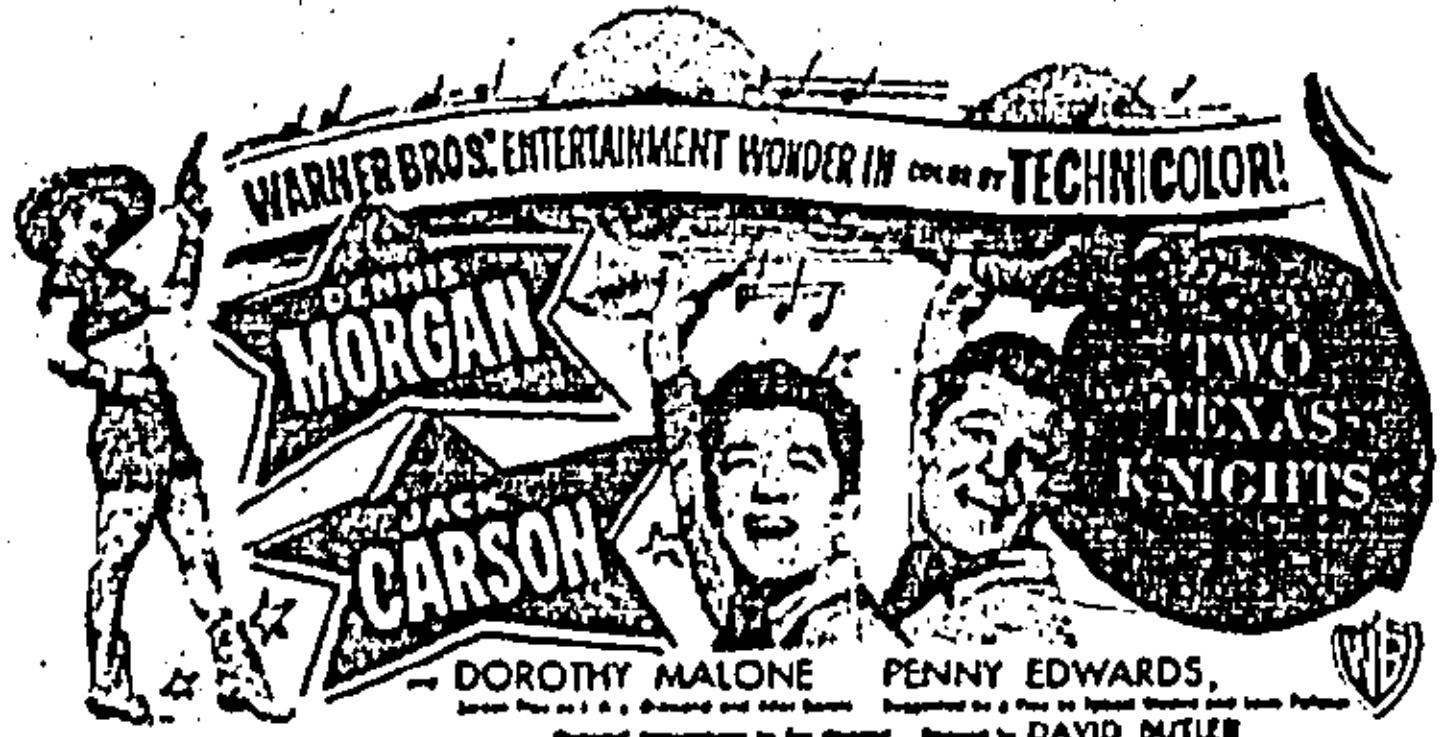
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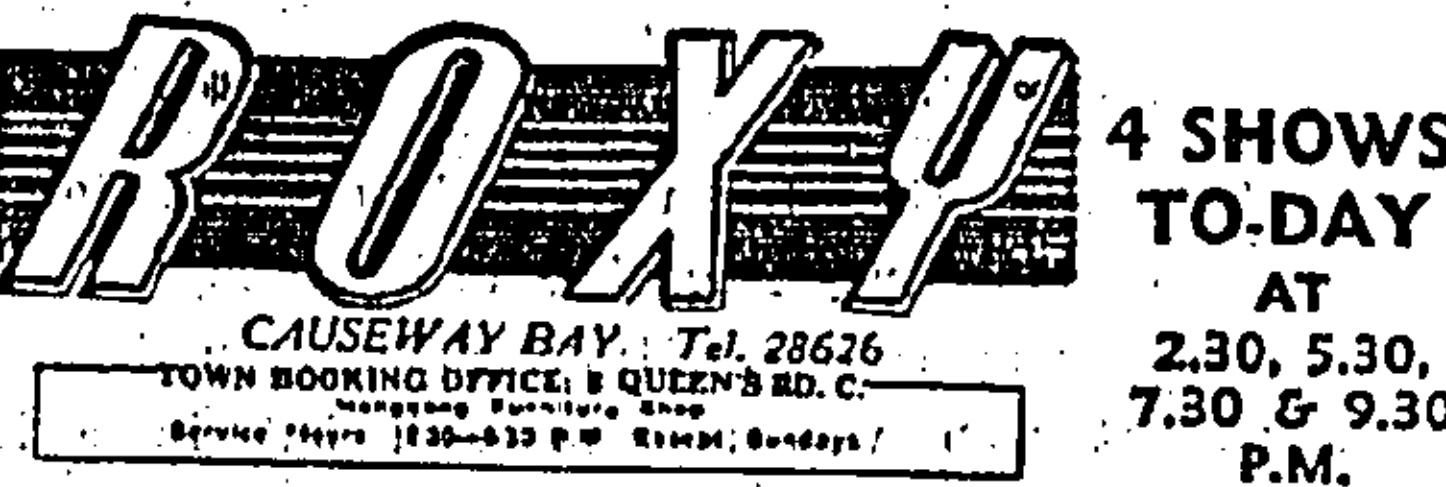


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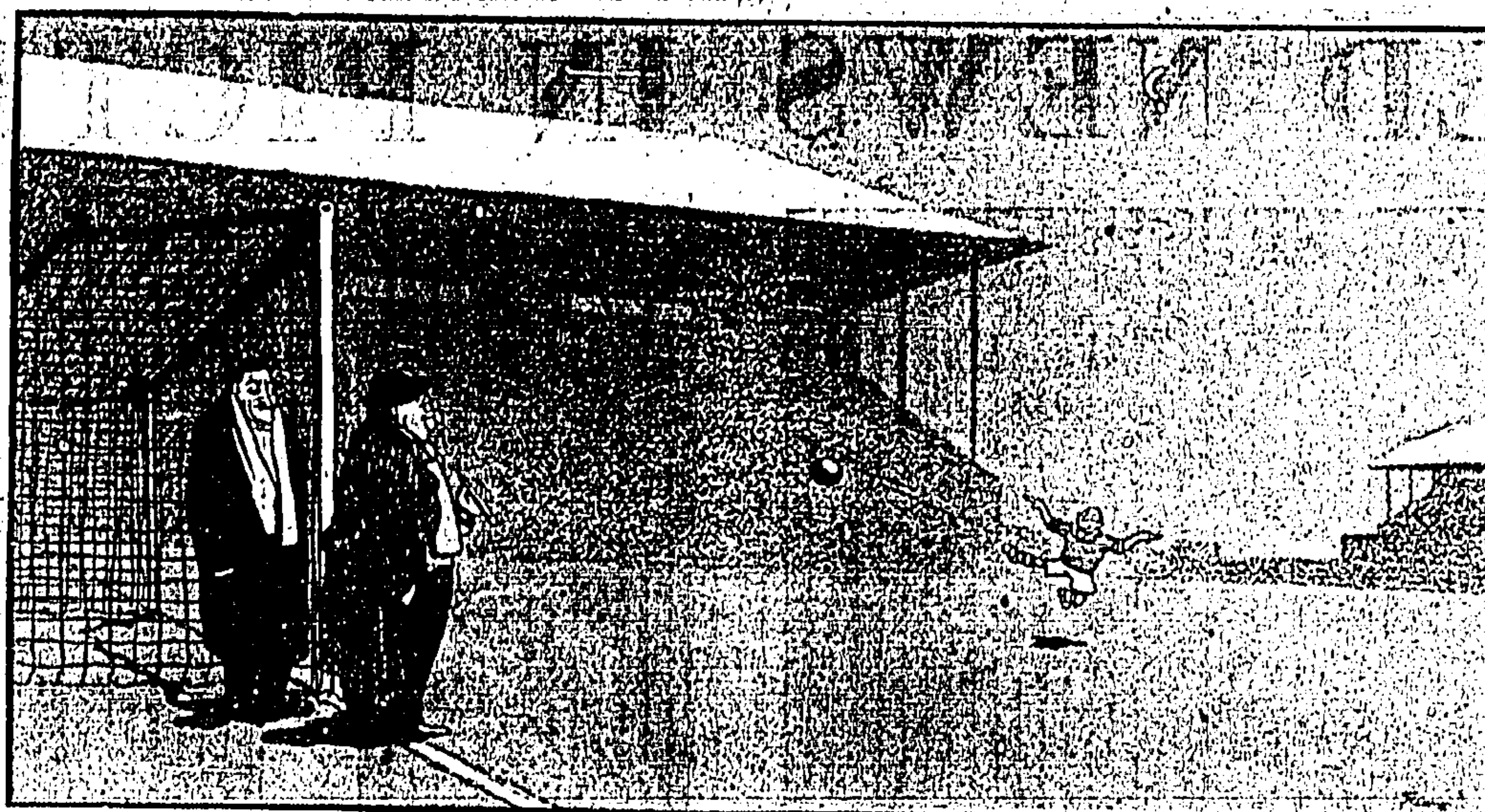
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"Boy! You sure hypnotised this one. Third day since kick-off, and he ain't woke up yet."

London Express Service

In the past the mining villages of Durham, in northeast England, have been bleak, unlovely places, but today plans are being made for the building in their midst of

## BRITAIN'S MODEL NEW INDUSTRIAL TOWN

By **MONICA FELTON**

Chairman of the Peterlee Development Corporation, and former Vice-Chairman of the Development Corporation of Stevenage, one of London's satellite towns.

THE coalfield in the southeast of Durham, in the north of England, is one of the richest in Britain, with the coal running out in deep, thick seams three, four and five miles under the North Sea. Easington, the administrative centre of this mining area, is the focal point for a dozen colliery villages which between them have a total population of about 80,000. Most of these villages, in fact, are now as large as small towns; and most of them, too, are neither town nor village, but rows of houses strongly built but bleak, uncomfortable and badly planned, clustered around the pitheads and spoil heaps.

Each village has a minimum of shops, one or sometimes two—cinemas, a church and perhaps two or three chapels, an elementary school and a miners' club. But even these few amenities are so scattered and so poverty-stricken in their architectural conception that the villages seem featureless, and only the pit-gear provides an element of drama in what must once have been a very beautiful landscape.

Between the two wars the whole area, with no alternative occupation to offer the employed, suffered acutely from the prolonged depression in the mining industry. Nevertheless, the local District Council, most of whose members were miners, made strenuous attempts to improve housing standards, to install the elementary decencies of an adequate water supply and proper sanitation, and to relieve, as far as they could, the drudgery that was the lot of the average miner's wife.

### Away From Pit-heaps

TOWARDS the end of the war, the District Council's energetic and very original surveyor, Mr C. W. Clarke, began to work out plans for a completely new town which would take people away from the dust and smell of the pit-heaps and rehouse them on a healthy and centrally situated site. The lengthening of the daily journey to work would be compensated for by improved living conditions and by the generous provision of shops, theatres, social and cultural facilities of all kinds, by the creation of new public open spaces and—of great importance to the scheme—the acquisition of Castle Eden Dene, a picturesque and thickly wooded ravine, three miles or more in length and with an outlet to the sea. The scheme aroused the liveliest interest in the area, here and there people objected: some because they

argued that the 2,300 acres which had been suggested as the site for the new town ought to be preserved instead for agriculture, and others objected because they wished to see a continuation of building in the existing scattered villages rather than the proposed concentration. But the weight of opinion locally was overwhelmingly in favour of the new town, and when Mr Silkin, the Minister of Town and Country Planning, visited the area in the summer of 1947 the Easington councillors were unanimous in asking him to set up a public corporation under the 1946 New Towns Act.

An Advisory Committee was set up towards the end of December, 1947, and, after the hearing and answering of several objections, the Peterlee Development Corporation was appointed in March—the first new town corporation to be set up as a result of the publicity expressed wishes of the people living in the area. It was named to commemorate a local hero—Peter Lee, the wild boy of gipsy descent who became a miner, travelled the world and returned to Durham County to become one of its best loved and most honoured figures, a leader in the Labour Party and the trade union movement, and the first Labour man ever to become the chairman of an English County Council.

### Peter Lee Legend

EVEN today, when the youngest of those who served with him are well advanced into middle age, people often begin their political wishful thinking with the phrase: "If only Peter Lee had lived...." And the new Corporation, accepting, irrespective of party, all that the Peter Lee legend stands for in terms of social service and the upright conduct of public affairs, have decided to adopt Peter Lee's own flowing and beautiful signature in place of the coat-of-arms and motto of the older new towns.

Except for myself, who came to Peterlee from being the vice-chairman of the Stevenage New Town, all the members of the Corporation had some close association with activities in or near the area of the new town. Harry Lee, the vice-chairman, was the headmaster of a secondary modern school at Seaham, a few miles to the north of Peterlee. The other members included an industrialist, an accountant, an examiner who is a member of the Durham County Council, a working miner who was until a few weeks ago the secretary of the Miner's Lodge at Easington Colliery, and who has been for several years a member of the rural District Council, a lecturer in economics in Durham University, and the wife of the clerk to the rural District Council.

Like all public corporations in Britain, we are essentially non-political, and though our membership was made up from the start of people with the most widely divergent political views we have never had a serious division of opinion or anything that could be labelled as a party line—either of the right or the left.

We started from nothing; with no staff, no buildings, no organisation of any sort. We were lucky to find, centrally situated on the new town site, a derelict, but essentially charming, eighteenth century country house. This house, reconstructed, now forms the nucleus of our headquarters. In what was once the billiard room, our staff of young architects under the direction of Berthold Lubetkin, is at work designing the master plan for the whole town, and, at the same time, working out the details for our first piece of building development.

### Master Plan

THE master plan envisages a town with an ultimate population of between 3,000 and 4,000, but with social and cultural facilities on a scale large enough to meet the needs, not only of the people who will be coming to live in Peterlee, but also of those who will still continue to live in the villages that lie to the north, south and west of us. This means that it should be possible to provide theatres—for the Durham people have a lively appreciation of the dramatic—concert halls, restaurants, swimming pools and many other recreational facilities that are fairly common in big cities, but are out of reach of the miner except on rare and special occasions.

The new town, too, will have to provide new opportunities for employment: in the first place for men who on health grounds must seek employment in industries other than mining, and for young women who today are obliged to travel long distances to work or else to leave the area altogether. And, looking some years ahead to the time when mechanisation of the mines will reduce the need for manpower, the Corporation envisages the ultimate

development of new industries on a really extensive scale. The master plan, which breaks away from many of the currently accepted views on town building, aims to meet the needs of the mining community by combining a high standard of house design with a more urban type of street layout than the one favoured by the garden city planners. The plan, too, is being worked out in social as well as architectural terms: for Peterlee's primary task is to break down the social isolation from which the miner and his family have always suffered. The town must ultimately develop as a mixed community of people of many occupations and professions, living not as separate, segregated groups, but mixing together to make a common life. The master plan, therefore, has to take account of the economic and social problems of the area as well as of the very beautiful and exciting features of the landscape on which Peterlee is to be built.

While the master plan is being completed, the organisation which will be responsible for building the town is beginning to take shape. Most of the heads of departments have already been appointed and are building up their teams. The powers which the Corporation is granted under the New Towns Act are very wide: the ownership of the whole site will be vested in the Corporation, with power to grant leases to private home owners, shopkeepers, industrialists and others.

The Corporation can also build houses and other buildings to rent to tenants of its own selection, and it must provide sites for schools, hospitals, health centres and other social services. When the work of building the town is substantially completed, the Corporation will be wound up and its assets transferred to the elected local authority of the area, so that ultimately the people of Peterlee will become the town in which they live.

Meanwhile, democracy in planning is being made a reality. Though executive responsibility rests with the Corporation, the people of the area are brought into consultation, both formally and informally. A joint committee of members of the Corporation and of the local authority discusses many questions of major policy, and local organisations of all kinds—from churches to the promoters of dog-racing tracks—thrash out future policy with members or officials of the Corporation.

A Bold Leap  
PUBLIC meetings are organised in the villages to enable people to learn about current activities and to give opportunities for criticism, which is usually constructive and helpful. In short, the people of the area are, at this very early stage, already conscious that Peterlee is their town and that they have a responsibility for its future.

We do not yet know how long the realisation of these plans of building Peterlee is likely to take. The rate of building will depend partly on the speed of national recovery as a whole, partly on the way in which it is possible to solve the technical difficulties involved in building on top of a colliery. But one thing is clear: everyone who is concerned with the building of the town is determined that it shall be not simply one step forward in the improvement of the miner's life, but a really bold leap into the future, designed as an example of what, given sufficient vision, courage and determination, life in an industrial community really ought to be—healthy, gay, adventurous and beautiful.

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## DUKES IN A TEMPER

SOCIALITES in New York are complaining of too many dukes in their midst, American dukes, that is, meaning flirts.

There was, for example, the scene at the Baroness Death's Park avenue party for Major Gwilym Lloyd George. Just as the baroness was introducing her British visitor to an all-star assembly of American blue-bloods, angry words were heard.

Said a high-pitched woman's voice: "Come out in the middle of the floor." The speaker turned out to be Mrs Frank Henderson, who at 72 is taking boxing lessons.

Mrs Henderson was quarrelling over Ireland with a titled English woman.

"I don't hate a single human being," said Mrs Henderson, "but when someone says she detests Ireland, my Irish temper gets the better of me."

Only the hostess's tact and quick action prevented trouble.

BUT AMONG CROOKS there is a movement toward manners. In Brooklyn two men who held up Mr and Mrs Harry Zack, under the impression that they were jewelers, said one: "We are very sorry to have inconvenienced you."

NOW there is no peace in the air. Stewards on American passenger planes will give travel talks, news summaries, and sports scores throughout all flights. But, says one company, they will talk "in a nice, quiet way."

THE POUND STERLING has settled down at last in New York's money markets. Finally convinced that rumours of its devaluation are groundless, there is a strong demand for sterling again.

CELEBRITIES are being quietly warned in America to be careful in giving autographs. They may be used on Communist manifestos.

A HUSBAND AND WIFE filed a suit in Trenton, New Jersey, to have Bible-reading in schools. Under a 33-year-old State law, each morning's classes must begin with the reading of five verses from the Old Testament. Charged Mr and Mrs Donald Doremus in their suit: "It is contrary to the Constitution of the United States which upholds religious freedom."

CHOSEN as America's Mother of the Year, Mrs Pearl Gillis, a 60-year-old post office worker's wife, has six children, and this is what they have done in life: one son is a top broadcasting executive, another is a diplomat, another is a professor of English, another is a musician, and two daughters are also musicians.

IN THE MARKET for two new British suits is Senator Tom Connolly, who led the fight to save the Marshall plan in Congress. He burned holes with clear ash in the trousers of the two suits he bought in England this year the first day he wore them.

HOLLYWOOD is in trouble. With Chicago now, Martin Kennedy, Hollywood's chief adviser, has written to Eric Johnston, Hollywood's chief adviser, asking him to dissuade producers from portraying his city as the world's Capital of Crime.

FOR THE FIRST TIME since 1884, the Roman Catholic hierarchy has put out a new enticement. It is so up to date that it gives a ruling on Mass by television—it does not count as going to church.

LIVING COSTS have stopped going down in the U.S.—in the March figures, Washington discloses that for the first time in five months there was a small rise (1 percent). Responsible for it was a jump in lamb-prices.

SHOW BUSINESS: Britain has run off with Broadway's annual awards, too. Rex Harrison is the year's best actor, Maritza Hunt the best actress, "Minnaminná" the British-made mermaid film, has just got past the American censors but it got mixed reviews.

## Raising the Vatican's Influence

By **ALDO FORTE**

VATICAN City—Ever since Pope Pius XII held the first Consistory of his Pontificate in February 1940, his efforts have been aimed at increasing the international influence and prestige of the Roman Catholic Church.

Although elevated to the see of St. Peter in 1939, the spiritual leader of an estimated 400,000,000 Catholics throughout the world refused to appoint new Cardinals during the war in sign of mourning.

Shortly after the war, Pope Pius departed radically from tradition in elevating 33 Cardinals from 19 different countries. For hundreds of years the roster of Cardinals had been heavily Italian and almost completely European. After that consistory, for the first time in four centuries, the Italian majority was broken. It was in the Sacred College of Cardinals that the Pontiff

the Vatican corridors at the disposal of the Secretariat of State.

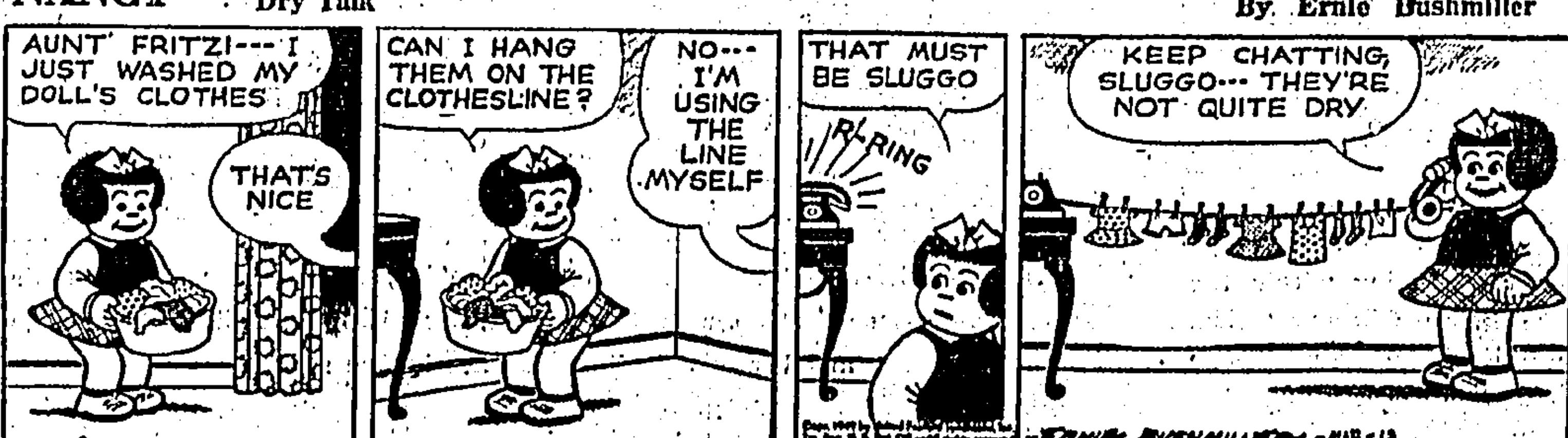
In the vast field of diplomacy, one of almost 100 percent Italian, 10 non-Italians are holding important diplomatic posts. Three of them are Americans—Msgr. Louis Menich, at present in Germany; Msgr. Joseph Hurley, in Yugoslavia, and Msgr. Gerald O'Hara, in Rumania.

The other non-Italians include four Britons, three Belgians, three French, two Dutch, one German and one Irish. The latter is Msgr. John Collins, Archbishop of the Diocese of Liberia. According to usually well-informed Vatican circles, Msgr. Collins may be appointed soon to the important post of Nuncio to Ireland.

The German in Msgr. Michael Schullens, Apostolic Visitor to Sarre, of which he is a native.—United Press.

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## 'WHITE KING' TOILET SOAP





# Sweden Struggling With Ambitious Atom Project

## URANIUM REFINING MAIN PROBLEM

Stockholm, May 9.—Sweden is struggling with an ambitious atomic energy project, but has found the job none too easy for a small nation.

"We have run into some difficulties and perhaps we had hoped for a somewhat quicker pace," Dr Goesta Funke, Secretary of Sweden's Atomic Energy Committee, told the Associated Press.

"But I suppose the difficulties we encounter are natural for a small country," he added.

Dr Funke indicated that the main difficulty concerned problems related to the refining of uranium. There was no lack of uranium deposits in the country.

"We are self-supporting in raw materials, including uranium," he said. "Our position in relevant technical fields is also good, and we have several outstanding nuclear scientists, two of them Nobel prize winners. But so far Sweden has no atomic pile functioning."

Bent upon a large scale atomic energy effort, Sweden formed an Atomic Energy Company in 1947, with the explicit task of providing Sweden with industrial atomic energy.

The mining of uranium, as well as the construction of atomic piles, was put in the hands of this company, which the government entered as the majority shareholder.

Actually the Swedish atomic energy project dates back to four months after the first atomic bomb was dropped over Hiroshima. At that time the government took all local uranium deposits under its control. It also summoned ten leading scientists to form an Atomic Energy Committee, to plan "with the utmost speed" co-ordinated research "to solve the problem of harnessing atomic energy for practical purposes."

Two years ago Premier Tage Erlander, one of the prime movers behind the project, told reporters that all Swedish experts had been put on the job.

### NO. 1 EXPERT

Sweden's No. 1 atomic expert is Professor Manne Siegbahn, Nobel Prize winner for physics in 1924. Since 1927 he has been the head of the Nobel Institute for experimental physics at Stockholm. The equipment of this institute includes two cyclotrons, one of which ranks among the most powerful in the world.

Another top member of the team is Professor The Svedberg, Nobel Prize winner for chemistry in 1926.

Professor Siegbahn said that there was "some co-operation" in the atomic field between the Scandinavian countries.

No direct co-operation was possible, however, with the United States and Great Britain "because of their security regulations."

The backbone of Sweden's atomic energy effort is domestic uranium deposits, officially described as "very large."

## SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"Since you didn't get a vest with that suit, dear, I bought you this briefcase!"

## Pickpocket Mastery

Istanbul, May 9.—The police here were convinced today that they had found the prince of pickpockets.

They arrested and handcuffed Sazek Celli, Ayetolk Nizad and Armon Agollus and were taking them to the police station in a crowded train when a passenger suddenly shouted that he had been robbed of 50 lire.

With some embarrassment, the police searched their prisoners. The lost had been distributed among the men. Celli's share was hidden between the toes of his bare feet.—United Press.

## Iron & Steel Bill Passed

### Nationalisation

London, May 9.—The House of Commons tonight passed a Bill to nationalise Britain's iron and steel industry, defeating a Conservative motion for its rejection by 333 votes to 203. The Bill now goes to the House of Lords. There its future is problematical, as the Opposition in the House of Lords has a big majority.

If the House of Lords throws the Bill out, it can become law within the lifetime of the present Parliament against their wishes, through the Parliament Act, which was passed by the Government to guard against such a contingency. This Act reduces the House of Lords' power to delay legislation from two years to one.

Under the Steel Bill, all firms which mine more than 50,000 tons of iron ore a year or produce steel in any form other than cold rolled at a rate of more than 20,000 tons will have their shares bought by the State. The firms will remain separate and the shares will be held by the Iron and Steel Corporation of Great Britain, which will be roughly similar to the Board which runs the nationalised coal industry.

Mr Oliver Lyttelton, moving the rejection of the Bill for the Conservatives, said that it would go to the House of Lords "unwelcomed, unopposed and unopposed." His ally referred to the Government's use of the guillotine—fixing a time-table by which parts of the Bill must be completed.—Reuter.

## Reverse For Peron

Buenos Aires, May 9.—Elections in Santa Fe, Argentina's second most important province, substantially swung away from supporting President Juan Peron in yesterday's elections, according to results made known today.

The Peronistas, the President's Party, totalling 192,087 votes, a loss of nearly 25,000 since the General Elections nearly six months ago. The Radical Party, with 125,703 votes, gained over 45,000.

The President's Party won all the 16 departments last December but lost six yesterday to the Radicals.—Reuter.

## Chicago's Unsolved Murders

Chicago, May 9.—The Chicago Sun-Times is offering \$100,000 in rewards for clues to clear up the first 20 "of a long list of unsolved murders" in and around Chicago.

The newspaper said that the Federal Bureau of Investigation reported 326 murders in Chicago last year, 11 more than in New York City, and the highest figure in the country. About one-third of these had not been solved.—Reuter.

## Life Begins At 40?

Hollywood, May 9.—Hollywood's greatest film industry celebrated its 40th birthday today.

This picture which began the multi-million dollar business was "In the Power of the Sultan," filmed on May 8 and 9, 1909, with the late Hobart Bosworth starring. It was filmed in a Chinese laundry.

Bosworth, a Sinkspearan actor, was paid \$125 for two days' work. He admitted that it was a "strange, but not unpleasant experience," but was not sure of the future of the infant entertainment media.

He refused to let his name be used in the picture.—United Press.

## GLACIER BURIES 14 MEN

Lima, May 9.—Theodore Press, mine owner, and at least 13 mining camp workers were reported buried and killed under a snowslide on Monday when a huge glacier fell from the slopes of Cordillera Blanch.

The mountain is one of three Andes ranges in the Andean department of North Lima.—Associated Press.

## Douglas Steamship Co. Dividend

The Consulting Committee of The Douglas Steamship Co. Ltd., announced that they will recommend to the Shareholders at the forthcoming Annual Meeting a dividend in respect of the year ended December 31, 1948 of \$5. per share free of tax.

## GENERAL CHENNAULT AT CAPITOL



Former General Claire Chennault, organizer of the "Flying Tigers" volunteer air force which aided China to repel the Japs, talks with Senator Pat McCarran (left) and Senator Walter F. George (right) before testifying at Senate-House watchdog committee hearing, in Washington, on the troubled situation in China.—AP Picture.

## Shanghai Jews Find Temporary Haven In Canada

Shanghai, May 9.—Two hundred and fifty Austrian Jews, together with 50 Jewish craftsmen, will find temporary haven in Canada before they can proceed to the United States, it was officially announced yesterday by the Canadian Vice-Consul, Mr J. Ballachey.

The movement, which will start towards the end of this week, was arranged by the local office of the American-Jewish Joint Distribution Committee in co-operation with the Canadian Jewish Congress.

It includes only Austrian Jews who have already been screened by the American Consulate.

These migrants to Canada must await the coming up of their quota number for entry to the United States. They will leave Shanghai by plane.

The Canadian Government has granted the refugees only transit visas, which allow them to stay in Canada six months and, they are therefore not permitted to seek employment.

Many of the refugees are without sufficient means and will be cared for at the expense of the Joint Distribution Committee and Canadian Jewish Congress. They will probably be housed in a disused Canadian army camp until they are able to enter the United States for permanent resettlement.

The whole movement is expected to be effected in the course of four to five weeks, it was stated by Mr A. C. Glassgold, Director of the local office of the American-Jewish Joint Distribution Committee, who initiated the scheme.—Reuter.

## Dutchman's Hunger Strike Ends

The Hague, May 9.—Jonkheer B. C. M. Van Suchtelen, former Governor of the East Coast of Sumatra, today ended a hunger strike begun nine days ago in protest against developments in Indonesia.

Announcing this in a letter to Queen Juliana, Jonkheer Van Suchtelen said that because of the many letters of support and understanding he had received he considered it time to end the strike and expound his views on policy towards Indonesia at a mass meeting which he is organizing.

He would call the meeting as soon as his physical condition permitted.

He is 63 and has heart trouble, and it is expected to be three weeks before he is fit again.

Jonkheer Van Suchtelen asked the Queen to send her own representative and a representative of the Netherlands Government to his meeting.—Reuter.

## H.K. Defence Plan Endorsed

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Trade with North China at present was negligible and communications had been cut off since the re-opening of fighting. Whatever might be the short term view of trade prospects—and it was really too early to express a properly evaluated opinion—there was considerable confidence in long term prospects, these businessmen said. By the time Communist China needed capital goods Britain should have them to offer, they said.

Meanwhile, they were ready and willing to maintain a steady flow of essential consumer goods to China.

The businessmen disagreed with the pessimistic London view of Communist North China foreign currency and banking regulations. The important point about the regulations that would determine trade prospects would be how the regulations might be administered, they thought.—Reuter.

## HUKS EVADE CAPTURE

Manila, May 9.—Mrs Quezon's hunk ambushers, have successfully eluded Government pursuers in their 10-day old operations in the jungle fastnesses of Nueva Ecija's Sierra Madre, according to Intelligence reports.

The Government was reported today to have called off the drive. Instead, it was stated, it will now be carried out under tactical operations directed by Lieutenant-Colonel Napoleon Valeriano, over-all Commander of the combined Constabulary-Army units, assigned to track down the ambushers.—Reuter.

## ARABS SHOUT RESENTMENT

Tripoli, May 9.—Arabs here demonstrated with shouts of "Down with Italy" and "Down with Britain" when it became known that the Foreign Ministers of the two countries, Mr Ernest Bevin and Count Carlo Sforza, had agreed to give Italy trusteeship over Tripoli.

The police dispersed the crowd, which carried anti-Italian banners.

Steel helmeted police cordoned off the British Military Administration Headquarters. The Mufti of Tripoli and other Arab leaders presented formal protests to the Administration.—Reuter.

## No More Berlin Blockade

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He made the suggestion to a rally of 3,000 Party officials, at which he also alleged that Social Democrats had laid fuses, intending to blow up the big Soviet sector electrically works "to wreck East-West understanding."

A few days ago, fuses were placed in several rooms at the works "to cause a coal dust explosion, kill all the workers and wreck the entire plant," he said.

"Similar provocative attempts have been the cutting of elevated railway cables and attempts by the independent trade unions to cause a strike on the elevated railway," he added.

The Soviet Sector Police Headquarters confirmed Herr Tondotzky's statement of a sabotage attempt. Investigations were proceeding, they said.—Reuter.

## Search For P.I. Plane Continues

Manila, May 10.—The extensive search for the Philippine Air Lines' C-47, which disappeared on Saturday with 13 persons aboard while flying to Manila from Daet in Southeastern Luzon, continued today.

Aircraft of the Philippine Air Force and the US Army and Navy assisted PAF planes.

Up to last night, the search planes had covered a total of 35,000 miles in a fruitless search for the passenger plane, which had failed to give a distress signal.

Philippine Naval Patrol craft were also aiding the search in waters over which the plane must have flown before it disappeared.

Amphibian planes have been landed on islands in these waters in quest of possible information from the inhabitants.

Meanwhile, Mr L. J. Sundeen, one of the plane's passengers reported to be a Russian, has been identified as an American mining engineer.

Mr Sundeen was going to Manila on his way to the United States to visit his sick mother. He came to the Philippines in 1934 and is 48.—United Press.

## BAYONETTED TO DEATH

Singapore, May 9.—A Malay corporal was tied to a tree and bayoneted to death by 15 terrorists who attacked a rubber estate at Malacca last night.

They shot dead another Malayan corporal, fired the estate buildings, smoke-house and factory and caused damage estimated at about \$12,000.

The terrorists drove the special constables into the guard-house, surrounded it and forced their surrender after threatening to set fire to the building and burning them alive.—Reuter.

## Radio Hongkong

H.K. Programme Summary: 6.01, Children's Story: "Dragons and Lanterns" by Barnaby Twist. (Studio); 6.15, "Musical Sweethearts" 6.30, Cantonese by Radio. Given by Miss Lee Wai-lan & S. K. Lee. (Studio); 6.50, "Around the Camp Fire"; 7, American Letter by Allaire Cooke (London Relay); 7.15, Charles Williams and His Orchestra; 7.30, "Kiss me Kate" Excerpts from the Cole Porter Musical (Studio); 8, World News and News Analysis (London Relay); Allene Woods; 8.15, "Meet the Paragons" (Studio); 8.30, "Blue Danube" The True Story of the Strauss Family, and of their greatest Contemporaries. A Musical Cavalcade of 19th Century Dance. Part 2: 9, "From the Editorials" (London Relay); 9.15, "Brains Trust"—Guests: Mrs M. A. Hamilton, L. L. Whyte, Claude Mullins and Colonel Walter Elliot. M.P. Question Master: Gilbert Harding (BBCRS); 9.45, Chamber Music Recital—Sonata: The Golden Sonata (Puccini)—String and Harpsichord. Sonata No. 2 (Debussy)—Tortie (Viola) with Piano George Reeves; 10.15, "Music for You" (BBCRS); 10.30, "Music for You" (BBCRS) with Carlo Carr, Danny Vaughan and Gerald Singer; 10.45, Manila Letter (Piano) and 11th Serenade; 11, Radio News Reel (London Relay); 11.15, Weather Report and Summary of News from China; 11.30, Close down.

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## ONCE CALLED KITTEN BALL

It Started As  
A Diversion  
For FiremenHOW SOFTBALL WAS BORN & GREW  
By CORNELIUS RYAN

New York, May 9.—Baseball calls itself America's national sport and basketball claims to have the largest number of fans, but if figures mean anything, it is softball which is the king of sports in the United States.

Officials of the American Softball Association estimate that the game drew 130,000,000 spectators in 1943 and at least that many each year since then. More than 6,000,000 persons are active players, the ASA says. Neither baseball nor basketball comes close to those totals.

Softball is a variation of baseball, but still is a distinct game in itself. It uses a 12-inch ball instead of the 9-inch baseball, but it isn't soft. The pitcher must throw with an underhand motion, not the sidearm or overhand of baseball, and the basepaths are 60 feet long instead of baseball's 90 feet.

The game was founded in Milwaukee in 1895 by Lewis Rober, who wanted to find a new diversion for firemen during their long stretches of duty, and grew happily until 1932, when founding of the Amateur Softball Association brought standardization and a great spurt in popularity.

Until then, the game had not even had a standard name. In some places it was called playground ball, in others indoor baseball, mush ball or kitten ball.

## FASTER

Many things have contributed to softball's popularity. Games are faster than baseball and usually are finished in an hour, enabling factory workers to play most of a game during their lunch hour, and permitting several teams to use the same diamond in an afternoon or night.

It spread rapidly during the depression of the 1930's, while men and boys had much spare time. It can be played on a field half the size needed for baseball, and not so much equipment is needed as for baseball. Factory-sponsored teams have helped make softball a national sport. The factory pays all expenses, including lighting of the diamond for night games and occasionally brings nationally famous teams in to play locally, with all games free to spectators. It pays off in good employee relations.

A national champion is decided each year by an ASA-sponsored tournament, emphasizing the nationwide scope of the game.—United Press.

No Complaint  
Against  
Leo Durocher

New York, May 9.—Fred Boyesen, Brooklyn Dodger fan who charged Leo Durocher, manager of the New York Giants, with assault, withdrew his complaint today in the Upper Manhattan Magistrate's Court and was immediately afterward booked on a charge of robbery.

After asking the magistrate, Doris Byrne, to dismiss his complaint and apologizing publicly to Durocher, Boyesen was accused of snatching a purse containing \$112 on March 27 from Mary Ryan, registered nurse, who was present in the courtroom.

The 22-year-old Puerto Rican denied that he had ever been in the vicinity of the spot where the theft occurred. He was taken to the felony court and arraigned. Pleading not guilty, he was held on bail and his case adjourned until tomorrow.

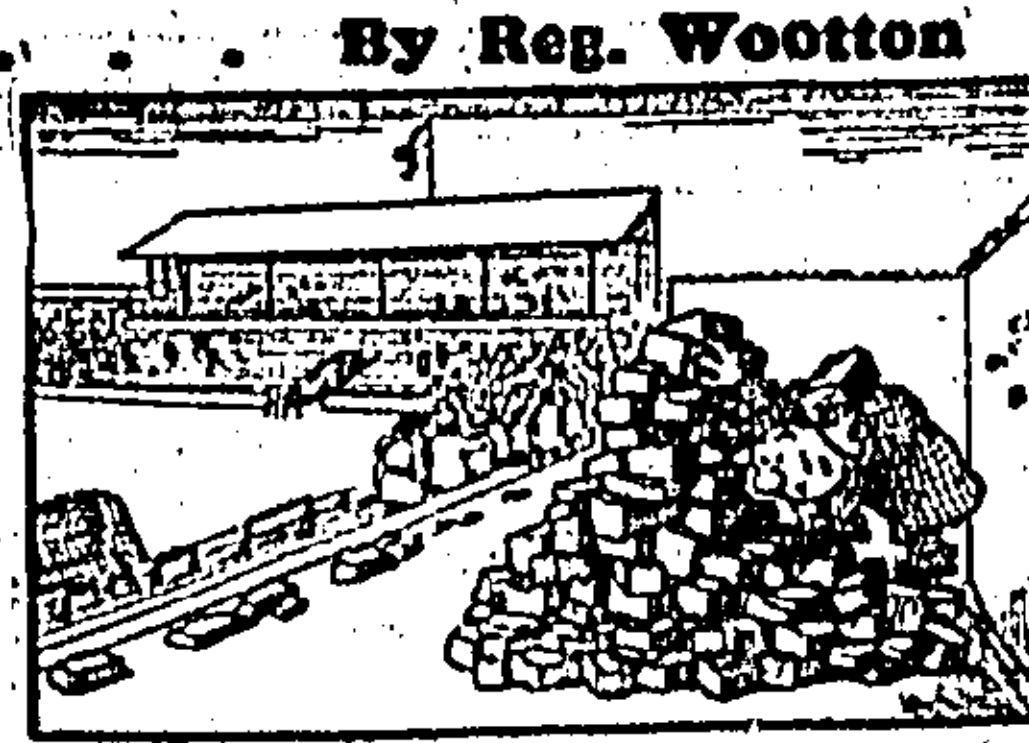
Boyesen, who arrived in the magistrate's court late, asked the court to dismiss his complaint against Durocher "for the simple reason that I have no cause, no witnesses and the heat is off."

"I'd like to forget it like a good sport," he said. After the magistrate dismissed the case, Boyesen turned to Durocher, offered his hand and said "I'm sorry, Mr. Durocher. I wish you luck."

Durocher merely said, "Thanks."—United Press.



SPORTING SAM



By Reg. Wootton

London Express Service

## NEW ZEALANDERS' TOUR

## WORCESTER SAVE THE FOLLOW-ON

Worcester, May 9.—After losing five wickets for 41 runs, Worcestershire put up a dogged resistance against the New Zealanders here today, and in scoring 279 before being dismissed, saved the follow-on by three runs.

A sixth wicket partnership of 75 by H. Yarnold and R. Jenkins, followed by powerful hitting from A. F. P. White and R. Perks put Worcester within striking distance of the safety margin when replying to New Zealand's 425.

## Major League Baseball

New York, May 9.—Ted Gray, who has been looked upon as potential pitching bigwig for three seasons, demonstrated again today that he may be ready to fill the role when he pitched a five hit 4-1 Tiger victory over New York Yankees.

Gray won the duel from right hander Vic Raschi, who suffered his first defeat for the League leaders after four straight victories.

It was Gray's second straight victory without a defeat. He walked only one batter and, inasmuch as his mazy play of errorless ball behind him, only six men reached first base.

Raschi also gave up only five hits but a stretch of wildness hindered him.

Tigers clinched the game in the third inning with three runs on three hits, including a home run by Dick Wakefield.

Yankees scored their run on a single by Johnny Lindell and Jackie Phillip's triple.

St. Louis Cardinals came out of a three-game losing streak with a vengeance, getting 15 hits including two homers in a 14-5 triumph over Dodgers in Brooklyn.

Rookie Eddie Kazak hit a grand slam homer and drove in another run with a double.

Rookie Tommy Giviano lambasted a three run homer and added two singles. Every Cardinal starter except pitcher Al Brazle got at least one hit in the mistreatment of six Brooklyn throwers.

Dodgers did some lusty swinging themselves but weren't up to the output of Cardinal batters. Jackie Robinson and Mike McCormick hit homers in the ten hit attack on Brazle and Howie Poller.

There was no other American League game scheduled. All other National League games were scheduled for tonight.

## THE SCORES

AMERICAN LEAGUE  
New York ..... 1 5 1  
Detroit ..... 4 5 0  
Yankees: p. Raschi, Sanford; c. Silveira.

NATIONAL LEAGUE  
St. Louis ..... 14 15 2  
Brooklyn ..... 5 10 3  
Cardinals: p. Brazle, Poller; c. Gargallo.

Dodgers: p. Pophillan, McClothing, Hatten, Munner; c. Campanella.—United Press.

## Fanny Is Off To The States

Amsterdam, May 9.—Mrs. Fanny Blankers-Koen, holder of four Olympic medals, will leave here by air on Wednesday for the United States.

Blankers-Koen's full programme has not yet been fixed, but she has accepted an invitation to run at Los Angeles on May 20.—Reuter.

## M. A. Marston Dies

Hamburg, Connecticut, May 10.—Maxwell A. Marston, 65, former United States Amateur Golf Champion and member of the Walker Cup team in 1922 and 1934, died here last Saturday.—Associated Press.

## The close of play scoreboard

## THE SCOREBOARD

## NEW ZEALAND

1st Innings 425.  
2nd Innings.  
Sutcliffe b Jackson ..... 34  
Scott b Wyatt b Howarth ..... 23  
Smith not out ..... 75  
Wallace b Howarth ..... 26  
Burt b Howarth ..... 40  
Hadlee not out ..... 1  
Extras ..... 8

279  
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Cooper bowled ..... 0  
Bird b Cresswell ..... 1  
Kenyon b Cresswell ..... 4  
Wyatt c Mooney b Hayes ..... 22  
Outechoorn c and b Burt ..... 4  
Yarnold b Sutcliffe ..... 58  
Jenkins lbw b Hayes ..... 40  
White b Hadlee b Burt ..... 10  
Howarth b Burt ..... 47  
Perks not out ..... 14  
Jackson b Burt ..... 4  
Extras ..... 21

270

Bowling  
O M R W  
Hayes ..... 20 6 43 2  
Cresswell ..... 20 9 48 3  
Burt ..... 25 0 80 4  
Burke ..... 17 4 58 0  
Reid ..... 5 2 15 0  
Sutcliffe ..... 4 1 14 1

—Reuter

## COUNTY CRICKET

## Yorkshire Starts Off With

## A Two-Day Victory

London, May 9.—Yorkshire, renowned for their many victories in two days in matches before the war, when they carried everything before them, started their 1949 championship season with a two-day victory over Somerset at Leeds.

One of the biggest factors in Yorkshire's nine wickets victory was the fine fast bowling of Ronnie Aspinall, who had a match analysis of 13 wickets for 100 runs.

Extracting plenty of life from the pitch, he had the Somerset batsmen in edge in their second innings today and collected seven wickets for 40 runs.

Somerset, faced with first innings arrears of 106, lost half their wickets before the deficit was wiped out, and the only real partnership was 65 for the sixth wicket between the captain, Woodhouse, and Lawrence.

Middlesex made a great recovery against Nottinghamshire at Lords to take first innings lead. In the first quarter of an hour today, Jepson, Notts fast bowler, dismissed both Edrich and Denis Compton, and with P. G. Mann leaving cheaply, four wickets were down for 59.

Jack Robertson played a patient innings of 120 however and, with help from Sharp, Thompson and Leslie Compton, the danger of a follow on gave way to a complete recovery. Middlesex then captured two Notts second innings wickets cheaply.

Gallant batting by the Combined Services, after following on 258 behind Kent was not sufficient to save off an innings defeat. Barnaby, the Durham player, got 87 in three and a quarter hours for the Services and J. H. Deighton hit freely in scoring 65, including a six and nine fours, but Douglas Wright collected wickets steadily for Kent, bringing his match analysis to 13 for 135.

Cambridge University, who declared at Saturday's total although Dewes and Daggart were within 27 runs of the world's second wicket partnership, ended the day in a favourable position against Essex.

Dodds drove powerfully for the County, hitting a six and 12 fours, and West and Morris made useful scores, but inside the University captain, captured four wickets in the last half hour.

CLOSE OF PLAY SCORES:  
The close of play scores were:  
At Leeds: Yorkshire beat Somerset by 9 wickets. Somerset 112 and 176 (Hill 50, Woodhouse 54, Aspinall 7 for 40); Yorkshire 218 (Lester 87, Buse 5 for 75) and 74 for one.

At Gillingham: Kent beat Combined Services by an innings and three runs. Kent 351; Combined Services 83 (Wright 8 for 35) and 255 (Parriaby 87, Deighton 65, Wright 5 for 100).

At Lords: Nottinghamshire 304 and 23 for 2; Middlesex 309 for 7 declared (Robertson 120, Thompson 53, Leslie Compton 60 not out).

At Cambridge: Cambridge University 441 for 1 declared; Essex 304 for 1 (Dodds 86, West 65, Morris 65).

At Cardiff: Glamorgan 337 and 74 for 1; Hampshire 242 (Gund 80, Wooller 5 for 55, Munner 5 for 45).

At Birmingham: Gloucestershire 84 and 251 for 0 (Crapp 53, Monk 51, Allen 60 not out); Warwickshire 280, (Ford 62, Lambert 5 for 72).—Reuter.

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## ON THE RECORD

## An Athletic Revival

For what is, for Hongkong, a revival on an unprecedented scale in athletics, our gratitude is mainly due to the Services and the South China Athletic Association.

Though standards, as a whole, have yet to touch what they were pre-war, I cannot remember a year when there was so much promising material in the flat races.

In South China's Ng Yik-jong we have the Colony's most promising quarter-mile runner. Hoagood and Odell, with more promising material in Eggleton, Knight and Barrago.

In the 200 Metres a race between Ng Yik-fok and Peter McRae would be a treat to watch with Alan Stepto and Jacques not too far outclassed. We may see this at the Open Championships at Caroline Hill to be run by the South China Athletic Association on Wednesday, Thursday and Sunday next week.

We have yet to find out what Canton and the outposts will bring. Canton, certainly, has a lot of promising material as the number of Lingnan University athletes in the appended list of best performances in Hongkong this year suggests.

The list is by no means complete and information on good times and distances achieved by place-winners that are not listed here will be appreciated.

Looked forward to with the keenest interest is a meeting over 800 or 1,500 metres between Gunner Kirswell, the Triangular Meet Champion, and Reggie Silva, Inter-School record-holder in the 1,800 metres.

Pefer Manson, who was the Colony's best in the middle distances before the war, tells me that the St. Joseph's school-boy is the most promising half-mile and mile prospect he has ever seen here.

If that is true, we have yet to see his best from Kirswell, who thus far has been running to win races rather than accomplish fast times.

On the one occasion he was dragged out by Eggleton in the match with King George V School, he finished with plenty in hand for the best time of the year in the half-mile.

Eggleton, since his victory over Reggie Silva in the University Open Half Mile, has been suffering from staleness, more than evident in his performance against Kirswell or even in his placing second to Kessel in the Inter-School.

Before closing mention must be made of what is considered about the most promising performance of the year here, because it comes from another schoolboy. Ho Hui-po of St. Joseph's did the 400 metres hurdles in 41.9 seconds in the Triangular Meet, a good performance in club competition anywhere. The time suggests that he may be in the 55-second class in the 400 Metres Flat.

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## Services

## Boxing

## Finals

## Tonight

The last elimination bouts of the Inter-Services Boxing Championship were held at Murray Barracks yesterday afternoon.

Pic. Dismann of the Buffs defeated his opponent Pic Barrago of the same regiment. It was unfortunate that Scollins and Donnelly of the Navy did not arrive in time and their opponents won by walkovers.

The finals will be fought at the China Fleet Club to-night.

Results were:  
Lightweight—Pic. Coates def. O/S Craig (RN). L. S. A. Chanter (RN), K.O'd Gnr White (RN). Gnr Clancy (RA) won by walkover.  
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# FOR YOUR SPARE MOMENTS

## MCKENNEY ON BRIDGE

Finesses Work To Make Small Slam

BY WILLIAM E. MCKENNEY

Louise Carlyle is an enthusiastic bridge player. Although today's hand is not spectacular, you will notice that she handled it wisely.

On the opening lead of the nine of hearts Miss Carlyle played the ten from dummy. East played the jack, which was allowed to hold the trick. If East returned a spade, Miss Carlyle would know that the queen was not in that hand. East might return a diamond,

♠ J62	♥ 106	♦ 762	♣ AKQ103
♠ 10754	♥ 987	♦ 103	♣ 986
♠ AK3	♥ A432	♦ AQJ109	♣ 7

Miss Carlyle  
 ♠ AK3  
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 ♦ AQJ109  
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Rubber—Neither vul.  
 South West North East  
 1 ♠ Pass 2 ♣ Pass  
 3 ♠ Pass 4 ♣ Pass  
 5 ♠ T. Pass 6 ♠ Pass  
 7 ♠ Pass 8 ♠ Pass  
 Opening—♥ 9 28

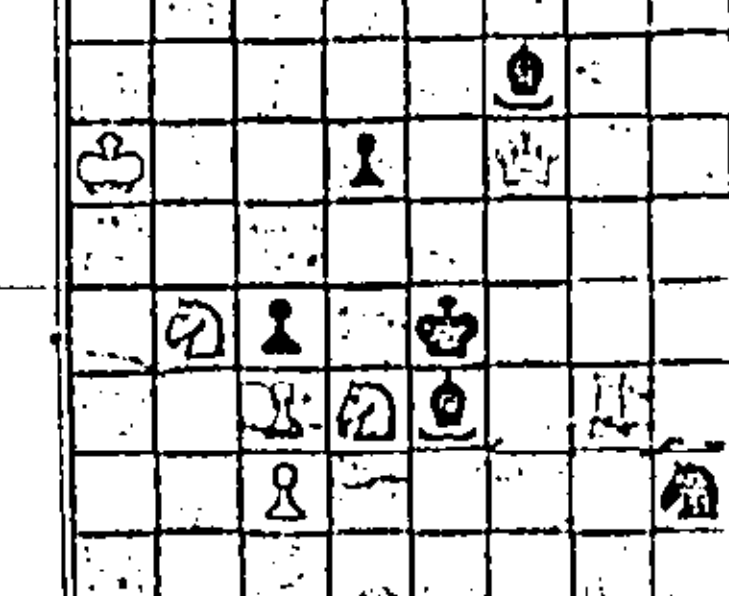
which would give declarer a free finesse. The king of diamonds had to be in the East hand, in order to make the contract.

East, however, returned the king of hearts, which declarer won. Now she trumped the three of hearts in dummy with the deuce of diamonds, led the seven of diamonds and finessed the nine-spot.

The seven of clubs was played to dummy's queen, and hoping that the clubs were divided 4-3, Miss Carlyle cashed dummy's ace and king of clubs, discarding a losing heart and a losing spade from her own hand. She then led the five of diamonds, finessed the ten-spot, the ace picked up the king and gave her the contract.

## CHESS PROBLEM

By P. BARRON  
 Black, 6 pieces.

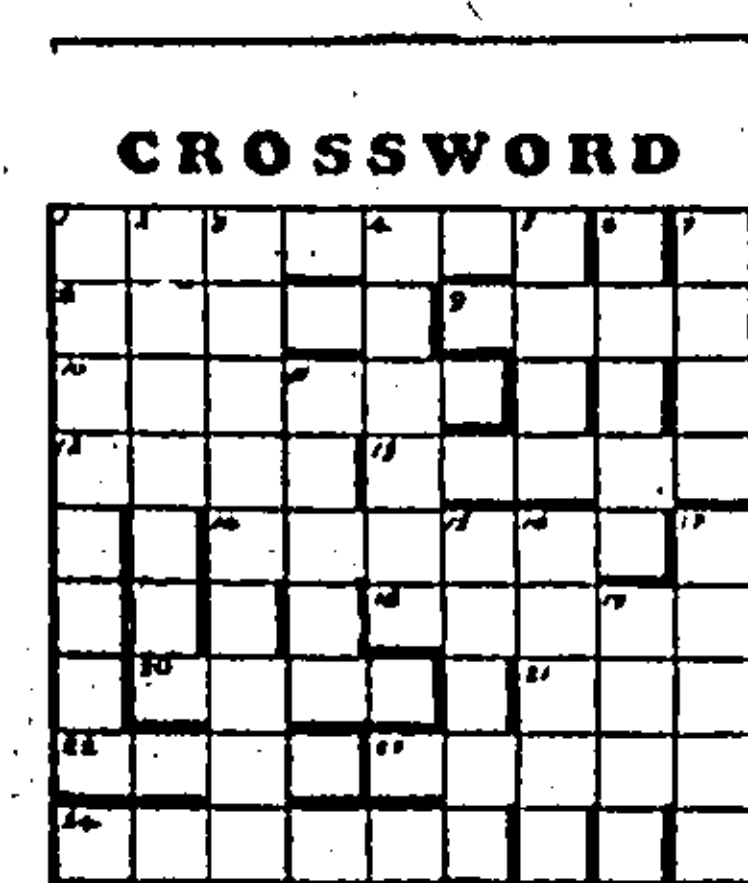


White, 7 pieces.  
 White to play and mate in two.

Solution to yesterday's problem:

1. R-KB5; threat 2. Q-R4 (ch).  
 1... B-K4, Q3; 2. Q-Q1 (ch);  
 1... K-K6, 7. 2. QxP; 1...  
 B-R4; 2. Q-KB1.

## CROSSWORD



Across:  
 1 and 5. Scrow in ore (Anag.). (10-4)  
 8. Deep. (4)  
 9. Laid back on the face. (4)  
 10. Particulate out. (6)  
 12. You'll find him in a piano element. (4) 13. Still. (6)  
 14. (3) could make a hit in the gym (6)  
 18. One is sure to hear this. (6)  
 20. Some people will not believe it unless it has been told. (10)  
 21. Taken from a room I'd used. (3)  
 22. See 1 Down  
 23. A narrow bandage. (6)  
 24. Distorted shades. (6)

Down:  
 1 and 22. Shop portion where the cigarettes are; enough to make the elder dance. (7-4)  
 2. Devilish. (7)  
 3. Gals to mind about some of a society. (6)  
 4. Flag of the nation. (6)  
 5. See 1 Across  
 6. Here I upset the yard. (6)  
 7. Excess supply. (6)  
 11. One in a way seen in voice. (6)  
 13. Wolf-like sounds. (6)  
 15. Shy. (6)  
 16. Boundary mark. (6)  
 19. Fitting in the kitchen. (6)

Solution of yesterday's puzzle—Across:  
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## DUMB BELLS



## Check Your Knowledge

1. What is a Muscovite?
2. Name Noah's three sons.
3. Name the King of England who signed the Magna Carta.
4. Identify Carrier and Ives.
5. Who was Charles Ludwig Dedgson?
6. Which falls more quickly, a heavy or a light object?

(Answers in Column 4)

## BOYS AND GIRLS MAGAZINE

### A Visit to Jack Scarecrow

—The Shadows Found Him in the Tool Shed—

By MAX TRELL

KNARF and Hanid, the shadow-children with the turned-about names, were walking past the tool shed when Hanid suddenly said:

"I wonder how Jack is. He's been in the tool shed all winter. Let's go in and see him."

Knarf looked puzzled. "Jack? Jack who?"

"Jack the Scarecrow," said Hanid. "He'll be going back to the cornfield soon. I wonder how he looks."

The tool shed door was easily opened. And Knarf and Hanid went inside. It took a moment or two for their eyes to get accustomed to the dim light. Then they both started looking around for Jack.

"I don't see him!" exclaimed Knarf in alarm. "He's not here!"

The next moment, Hanid discovered him. She pointed to a heap of clothes on the floor: a ragged coat, a torn hat, a worn pair of shoes, a pair of shabby overalls and a broken cornucop pipe. "There's Jack," she said.

Meek Voice

It was Jack the Scarecrow, sure enough. For suddenly they heard a voice saying weakly: "Hello, Knarf. Hello, Hanid."

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## SCIENCE AT WORK

### OAK BARK DISCOVERY TO TREAT RADIATION

By PAUL F. ELLIS

A chemical substance developed from oak bark may have value in treating injury from radiation.

In tests on experimental animals, it already has shown evidence of increasing the resistance of the capillaries to rupture and other damaging influences, such as that from radiation.

Studies of the new substance are being conducted by scientists in the research laboratories of the Scripps Metabolic Clinic at La Jolla, California.

Medical scientists in many laboratories are now seeking medical ways to treat radiation injury, such as from an atomic bomb explosion but no such test with the new substance has been made. As in all new projects, tests are made first on experimental animals.

The Scripps scientists isolated the substance during a study of the so-called vitamin P compounds that in some medical circles are being used as a co-factor with vitamin C in the treatment of human beings.

The findings were made after a three-year investigation.

Development of the vitamin P compound known as rutin, which is obtained from buckwheat, followed tests in Europe with another P substance known as citrin. Both were believed to be able to combat bleeding disorders, and some investigators claimed that rutin would decrease the weakness of the capillaries, thereby being of help in high blood pressure.

While rutin and the other so-called vitamin P compounds have been shown to have no connection with vitamin C, the Scripps scientists believed that other related compounds may prove of some value.

Thus, they are tediously isolating the substances, and at least one has been found to have various biological effects in tests on experimental animals. Eventually, the compounds which they have met all trials, may be used as a drug and not as a dietary substance.

(Tomorrow—Book Parade).

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## BY THE WAY

by Beachcomber

HERE, my puling Averroists, is an official ruling which affects each one of you. "There is nothing," said an official, "to prevent you keeping a lion in the backyard, providing you keep it under proper control."

Proper control means culling it sharply if it leaves the yard and starts tearing passers-by to pieces. As Goethe said to that ferocious old bugger, the Princess Irmlild bei und zu und an und eggs Stenschhausen-Gerikstein von Rothenburg: "Come into my back-Saxo-Blotha-yard and make my lion jealous."

## The call of the sea

The theft of the anchor chain from the *Saucy Mrs. Fibster* is regarded in naval circles as a comparatively trivial event, owing to the fact that there was no anchor attached to it. Mrs. Withersedge, the anchorer, who sleeps aboard, heard noises which she attributed to roving vermin, or to the usual disintegration of the bounding barque. The proximity of what is left of the stern to the embarkment makes it easy for marauders to get aboard. "She's still anchored securely," said Mrs. Withersedge in an interview. "Lestways: what I mean is the anchor's stuck in the mud or of what the Admiral calls 'er starboard beam. For all the good it does it might as well be 'anged from the roof of the National Gallery. Them Afghans won't 'ave to 'aul it up when they sail away for the Spice Islands, an' 'o he 'an 'a bottle o' rum served ice-cold in the crew's nest."

## Along with Nature

FROM the orchard comes the twitt - twitt - pu - pu - whee of the bee, who is ferreting about in the salicy for caterpillars to feed her fledgling brood. As she flits from salicy to salicy, and back to salicy, you can catch the red streak on her jowl, and the mottled bumps behind her oval ears, pricked up to catch the slightest sound of worm-movement. The click of a gong from her whirring back to the nest in the fork of a dwarf weeping sycamore, where her young lol about and jabber with hunger.

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# Would US Abandon Far East In Event Of A War?

## NEW THEORY GAINING ADHERENTS

New York, May 9.—An increasing amount of attention is being paid in this country to the theory that in "abandoning nationalist China" the United States may also have to "abandon" the whole Far East in the event of war.

A number of Filipino officials here and in Manila have expressed the fear that U.S. policy planners are giving up the idea of defending islands such as the Philippines, Japan and Formosa if war comes via a Communist-run China. These fears have also been expressed by several American editorialists.

Some learned thinking along the same lines was set forth in the April issue of "World Politics," a quarterly journal published at Yale University. Two close students of China, Nathan Leites and David Nelson Rowe, suggested that there is still time to save South China, without which it would be at least uneconomic and perhaps impossible to hold the rest of East Asia.

## U.S. Hits Back In Radio War

Berlin, May 9.—America's most potent radio voice to eastern Europe will increase its power five times within six weeks.

This was learned from official American sources on Monday who also said that the station had been granted a financial reprieve which will keep it in operation.

With five times the power the American Military Government station in Berlin will add its broadcasts to the American-British efforts to smash through the Soviet jamming of the BBC and the Voice of America.

It will be increased from 20,000 watts to 100,000 by about June 15.

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It is pointed out here that the station with its new power will "be heard clearly up to 500 miles. This will include as far north of what was Lithuania, all of Poland, all of Czechoslovakia, part of Rumania, all of Hungary and a part of Yugoslavia.

Depending on broadcast conditions the station also could be heard in Moscow and the Ukraine.

**HARDER TO JAM**

The station, "RIAS" is a middle wave station and much harder to jam than short wave stations now used by voice of America, a leading radio technician explained. "If they jam us they will knock out most of their own local stations at the same time."

"Broadcast on middlewave has an additional advantage. It is estimated that for every radio set in eastern Europe equipped for short wave there are 40 that can hear middle-wave broadcasts."

Although the station broadcasts largely in German it is pointed out that a large part of the listening public in eastern Europe understand German.

Consideration is now being given to adding other languages. The station has the advantage of being the only American or British controlled station actually behind the Soviet zone frontier and in a position to broadcast as one man put it, from the Soviet doorstep.

The American Military Government station has been threatened with extinction because there appeared to be no way to provide funds for its 15,000,000 mark yearly budget.

—Associated Press.

## NO HEIR TO BARONETCY

Stonford, Lincolnshire, May 9.—A 239 year old baronetcy is going begging here.

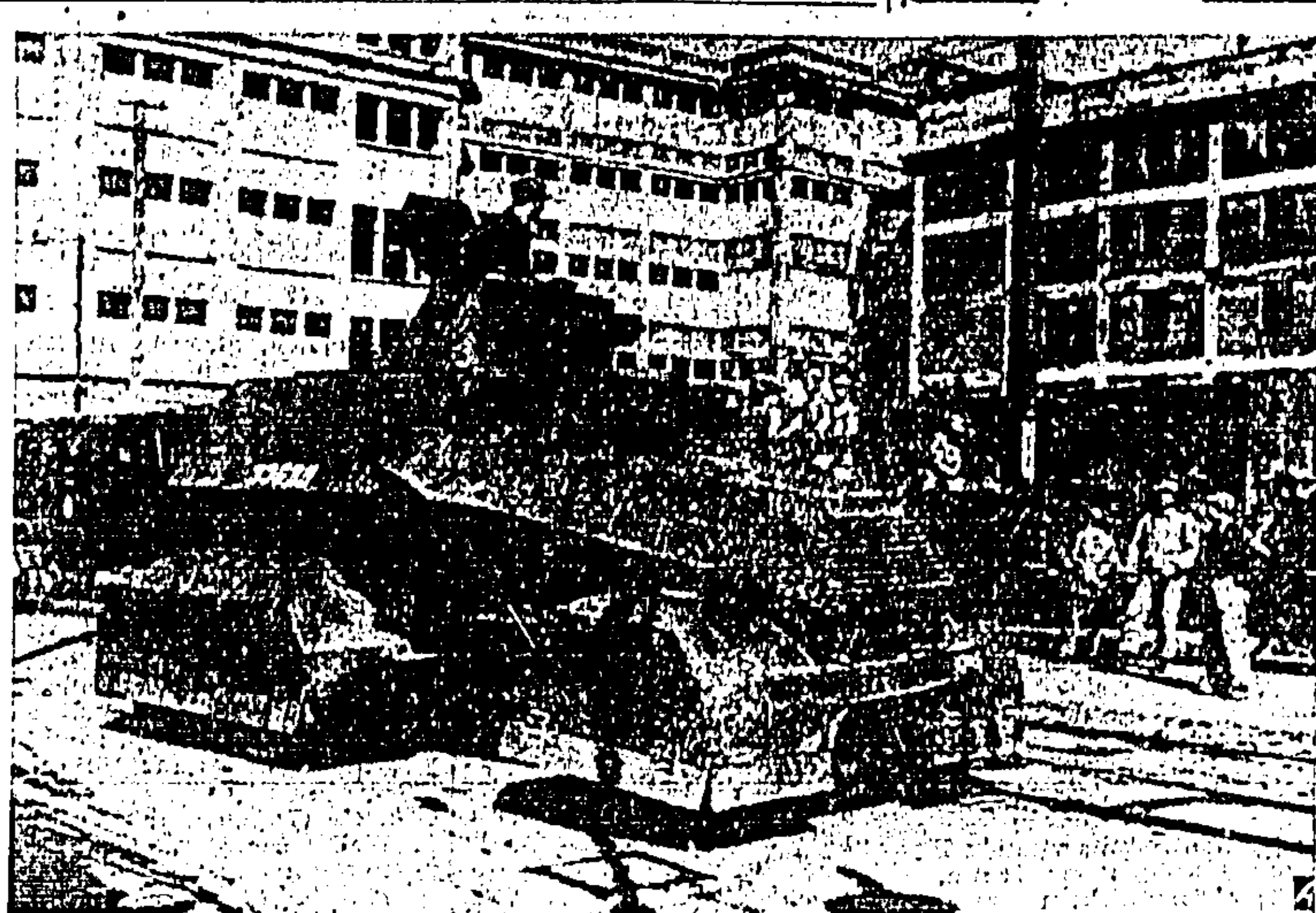
Hugh Christopher Whitehead, the tenth baronet, died on Monday at the age of 75. He left no heirs. It means the hereditary honour may become extinct.

But C. F. J. Hankinson, editor of Debut, who keeps track of peers, barons and knights, believes there may be another descendant of the first baronet, Sir Jeremy Whitehead.

Hankinson said that his younger son, Henry left an offering. If any of his male descendants are living the eldest can step up and claim the title.

The first baronet obtained the title from Charles II in 1660 for hiding the king's agents during the exile of Charles II. Missing heirs to British titles often turn up in America.—Associated Press.

## On Way To S. China



The Chinese Nationalist tank, one of the type used in the fighting with the Chinese Communists, rolls a Shanghai street en route to the waterfront to be loaded aboard a transport for south of China. — AP Picture.

## Princess Margaret's Audience With Pope: Protestants Upset

Rome, May 9.—A spokesman for the British Legation to the Holy See said on Monday that Princess Margaret will "probably" be received by the Pope on Tuesday. The unofficial Vatican news service announced that an audience has been fixed for 5.30 p.m., on Tuesday.

The Protestant Truth Society despatched a last minute telegram to the King on Monday asking him again to stop Princess Margaret's proposed visit to the Pope. The telegram said the Society is "shocked and expressed its profound grief" over the prospective call.

## Harriman's Pledge

### Full Support For East-West Trade

Geneva, May 9.—Mr Averell Harriman, United States roving Ambassador to the Marshall Plan countries, today pledged full American support for expansion of East-West trade in Europe.

He was addressing the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe, which opened its fourth annual session with representatives from the United States, Russia, Britain and 25 countries of Eastern and Western Europe.

"A large volume of trade between Eastern Europe and Western Europe can raise standards of living in all Europe and will reduce Europe's need for external aid," Mr Harriman said.

He gave two chief reasons for the low level of East-West European trade since the war:

### DEMAND SCARCE GOODS

(1) The inability of East European countries to supply to the West sufficient quantities of their traditional exports of foodstuffs.

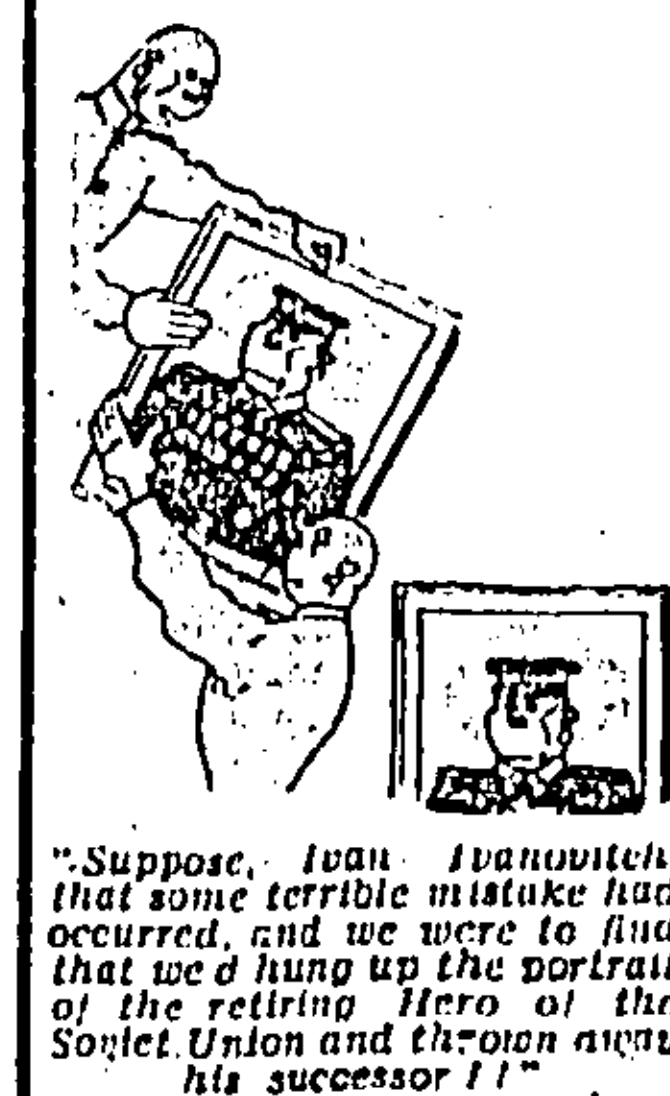
(2) The fact that East Europe was demanding from the West far greater quantities of heavy capital goods "which have been in scarce world supply."

Mr Harriman renewed his recent appeals for greater freedom of trade in Europe.

"If trade within Europe is to reach the level required for genuine recovery, there must be an advance from the now prevalent system of bilateral trade to a freer multilateral system," he declared.

Asserting that achievements in Europe during 1948 gave assurance that the goal of independence from external aid would be reached, he added, "Recovery is no longer in doubt." —Reuter.

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## HOW BURMA IS TO BE HELPED

Rangoon, May 9.—Commonwealth help to Burma will be more by material aid than by loans, leading financial sources in Rangoon said on Monday.

Under the plan worked out in London recently in talks between British and Commonwealth ministers certain sums of money will be placed to Burma credit in banks in Britain, India, Pakistan, Australia and New Zealand, the source said.

With these Burma will be able to buy arms and ammunition to quell the country's revolt, machinery to bolster the rice trade, and consumer goods such as butter and canned milk.

Commonwealth ambassadors met Burmese ministers on Monday to put the finishing touches to the plan which will be made public on Wednesday simultaneously in London and Rangoon. Slight alterations considered necessary in the text caused postponement of the announcement last Saturday.

Informed sources here said that an "on the spot committee" will be formed of Commonwealth ministers in Rangoon to supervise distribution of the aid.

Burmese newspapers, commenting upon the plan on Monday warned the government of the dangers of allowing the military aid to fall in rebel hands. —Associated Press.

## MARTIAL LAW TO BE EXTENDED

Cairo, May 9.—The Egyptian Senate, in a secret session to-night, approved the extension of martial law for another year. It was introduced in May 1948, when the Egyptian forces entered Palestine.

Tonight's voting, after a three-hour debate, was 70 in favour and 14 against. The Chamber of Deputies gave similar approval by 130 votes to seven. The extension will date from May 15.—Reuter.

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### Duke's Address To Schoolchildren

London, May 9.—The Duke of Edinburgh told 5,000 children at the Albert Hall this afternoon that the world faced a choice between destruction or a peaceful society. "It is up to us to make the choice," he said.

The Duke was taking the chair at a meeting organised by the Council for Education in World Citizenship in association with the newspaper, the Daily Mail, and attended by the Prime Minister, Mr Clement Attlee.

The children came from 150 schools in the Home counties. Twenty-six members of the Daily Mail World Youth Forum—13 boys and 13 girls from a number of countries, including Italy, France, Sweden, Canada, Australia and the United States—were also present.

"We can choose to disregard our neighbours, treat them as foreigners or potential enemies, but, on the other hand, we can choose to understand our neighbours and treat them as individuals," the Duke said.

"That is what we are doing here today. We all know that Utopia is unattainable, but if we all know the world we want, then at least we can work for it."

Mr Attlee, speaking on Britain's contribution to "the world we want," said that the one thing essential for freedom and democracy was tolerance, without which "our Parliamentary system would not work." —Reuter.

### Bodies Recovered

Thornley, County Durham, May 9.—Search parties have recovered the bodies of three miners drowned when water flooded into colliery workings here on Friday. —Reuter.

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